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UNDER THE PUNKAH.

By J. PENN.

Sweeps.

This is a fine state of affairs—this business about sweepstakes and things. To think that everybody found haunting Happy Valley during a race-meeting is liable to be "pinched"! Oh, why don't they do it? It would be such fun to see all the fine ladies and the taipan's being lined up for free passages back to town in the Black Maria. What a day for the reporters! And yet another priceless day when the prisoners appeared in Court! And what a chance for the barristers and solicitors to display their eloquence!

But although this would be all very good fun, it must be recognised that there is a serious side to it all. Just imagine our Vicar presiding over a lucky dip at our next bazaar—in which seemingly harmless occupation there is an element of chance—and imagine a policeman strolling in and clapping handcuffs on the Vicar for aiding and abetting in the conduct of a lottery!

There is too much uncertainty about this lottery business altogether. All the official explanations of the position so far given are as helpful as an empty thermos-flask in the middle of the Sahara. What we law-abiding citizens want to know is, where do we stand? That a sweep is a lottery is as obvious as a flapper's garters on the ferry. What we want to know is—may we gamble, and when, and how? Lawyers and policemen and officials may talk as much as they like, but we are not any the wiser after the whirl of words is over.

If we conform to all the known rules and regulations it seems that we still run the risk of getting into trouble. The complexity of this sweepstakes question is as exasperating as the wrangling about silver and exchange. Is gambling in exchange legal, and if so, why, and if not, why not? In spite of all that has been said about sweeps, I shall continue to invest an occasional five bucks in the hope of getting 100,000 back for it. Never mind if the dollar does drop to 1s. 3d.—a lakh even at that rate would suit me very nicely.

"Baby Mine."

When interviewed by one of my correspondents recently, a member of the Hong Kong Boxing Association who recently became the proud father of a bouncing boy—the baby-weight champion of the Colony—said the young 'un was getting along fine. The proud father further added that after he has waked the floor all night trying to get that small but important personage to sleep, he feels mighty grateful that he is not in Greenland, where the nights are said to last six months on end!

Dress Parade.

On board the Guiding Star, bound from Hong Kong to Kowloon, I saw on Thursday afternoon a friend who looked extremely worried. Being curious as to the cause of his anxiety, I asked him what was wrong. "Everything is wrong," he replied. "Here am I due to appear on parade in an hour's time, and that fool ass of mine has taken it into her head to-day to send my uniform to the laundry! Know anybody who has a suit that would fit me?" I told him it would be possible for me to loan him a pair of boots, a collar-stud, and a union-suit, but he seemed not to be very grateful. How can I present arms in that diaphanous (though that was not really the word he used) outfit? he asked. "It's a uniform, I want, not a fancy-dress ball, right out," and away he sprinted down the road in search of an odd uniform. Well, I hope if he got one it was not too odd, otherwise he will have to face a court-martial.

Oh, Listen to the Band!

Speaking of court-martial, I should not be surprised to hear of a few fine fellows being shot at dawn within the next few days. It is not to be expected that men can do the goose-step gracefully when one half the band is playing the regimental march and the other fellows are playing the national anthem! This double-harmonic symphony stuff may be all right in the ballroom, but it simply won't do on the parade-ground. And who was it filled up the F sharp bombardment with beer! Liquid notes are pleasant enough, but not those strange, gurgling noises I heard, suggesting a herd of angry walrus having an argument with a gang of sea-hens. And why didn't the players of wind instruments keep time with the big drum? It is a good job Fitz-Earle was not on parade, otherwise he would have given somebody fits!

Erin Go Bragh!

Faith now, and here we have St. Patrick's Day on top of us again. "Oh, dull must the heart be, and

void of emotion, that loves not the music of Erin Go Bragh!" Monday next will see me celebrating another of my favourite patron saints, for I have a little Irish in me—and I don't mean whisky. The Irish are "decent people," hot-headed, warm-hearted, but by no means afflicted with cold feet, and in honour of the race I lift up my lyre (please, Mr. Printer, be careful how you spell that word!) and sing thus:

When Adam left old Ireland in ages long ago,
There was no whisky drinking there, and praties didn't grow.
The harp was not invented to give its joyful sound,
And ne'er a rent-collector or an agent could be found.
Them was the darkest ages poor Pat has even seen,
He couldn't even say he'd got a banner bright an' green.
He had no patron saint, me bhoys, to cheer him on the way,
An' so he never got run in upon St. Patrick's Day.

Then as for fun an' fighting, ould Ireland, you may say,
Has made a famous record since ould Adam went away;
For then there was no army, they had no foreign foes,
An' not a single sojer where the Shamrock grows;
There was no Inniskillings, no Irish Fusiliers,
No cries of "Faugh-a-ballagh!" no loud and ringin' cheers;
There was no drums a-beatin', no marchin' left and right,
Them poor goosens in Ireland thin had never learned to fight!
When Paddy joined the army, a raw recruit was he,
A private bould in days of ould Ireland, what he used to be;
No Wellington or Wolsley had Johnny Bull, I vow,
For Irishmen were nowhere thin—but look at Paddy now!

Then here's to Patrick's Day, me bhoys, join in the hearty cheers,
An' plaze the pigs, we'll dance our jigs, with jugs of punch and beers.
We've picked up many a wrinkle, we've battled hard wid fate,
But still we're gay and hearty, and gee whizz! we're up to date.
We don't forget our neighbours, we love our native land,
An' when a friend's distressful we'll lend a helping hand.
Oh! there's a deal of difference, since Father Adam left the spot where Bally-booley's now,
For Pat was then neglected, he had no clothes to wear,
An' not a "still" was there until poor Pat began to swear.
He'd never emigrated, he had no pig or cow,
An' never went to Parlyment—but look at Paddy now!

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TO THE N. Y. K. CONCERNING MAIDEN VOYAGES

"I was interested in the note from the 'Maiden Traveller' who intends to be on the maiden voyage of two of your new motorships on a single voyage to America, next spring, by changing ships at Honolulu. She says the 'Tatsuta Maru' will follow the 'Chichibu Maru' in three weeks, yet I always supposed Pacific liners ran on a two-week schedule. Next year are you running to America via Honolulu only every three weeks?"

It is true that the maiden voyages next spring are three weeks apart but there is a regular liner in the interval.

In fact, we have many weekly sailings to America via Honolulu next year, and never more than a fortnightly interval. The 'Chichibu Maru'—voyage number one—will leave Yokohama on April 14, followed in one week by the 'Tenyo Maru', and two weeks later by the 'Tatsuta Maru' on her maiden voyage.

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In 1931 a census is to be taken of the population of Great Britain. Government officials are now working out plans for holding it, for counting the inhabitants of this "tight little island" and the strangers within its gates is a formidable task. The last time British heads were counted, in 1921, they were found to number 42,767,739. The schedules concerning them, when collected, occupied 11,000 cubic feet of space and weighed 1,900 tons, an official of the Registrar General's department told the writer. It cost more than £500,000, he stated, to take the 1921 census.

Giant Maps.

Giant maps are now being made for the use of the takers of the forthcoming census. They will show every street, alley and court in the land. The whole country has been split up into fifty enumeration areas. A census chief has been appointed in each section and on him will rest the responsibility of seeing that no one escapes the count. Even the gypsies and the "hobos," on the roads will be trapped on census night by policemen specially detailed for this task. No one will be allowed to slip through the net which the Registrar General and his staff are weaving in the solitude of an upper chamber of Somerset House, the government record office in the Strand.

It probably will surprise many to learn that, long as is British history, the census of 1931 will be only the fourteenth complete one that has been taken of the people of England, Scotland and Wales. The first complete count was not made until 1801. Previously the popular objection to a national census was so strong that, in 1753, Parliament refused to sanction one.

A Quaint Belief.

There was a quaint belief that were the authorities to obtain accurate information as to the number of the people, severe taxation or other unhappy results might follow, and this prejudice existed for many years. Eventually John Rickman, a celebrated statistician, showed the absurdity of such an argument, and by his efforts the first satisfactory and complete census came into being in 1801.

Previously, on the basis of baptisms, burials and marriages, the authorities had estimated the English population in 1570 at 4,160,221, in 1670 at 5,773,046 and in 1750 at 6,517,035. The census of 1801 revealed the total population of the United Kingdom to be 10,500,950. Since then the people of Great Britain have been counted every ten years.

In the case of Ireland, not until 1813 had statisticians anything more than surmise to guide them, and the census then taken of the country was far from correct. The first accurate census of the population of the Emerald Isle was taken in 1931 and revealed its number to be 7,767,401. When last the entire population of Ireland was counted together, namely in 1911, the total was 4,390,210. This represented a drop in eighty years of 3,477,182, explained, of course, by emigration.

The Irish Figures.

No census of the Irish people was taken in 1921, owing to the disturbed condition of the country. When, in 1926 the populations of the Irish Free State and of Northern Ireland were counted for the first time the figures were, for the former 2,972,592; for the latter, 1,256,322; total, 4,228,914. This represented a further drop in the population of the whole country of 161,095.

It will be interesting to see what the census of 1931 reveals as regards the numbers of males and females in Great Britain. For as long as records exist the number of women has been growing much more rapidly than that of the men. In 1891, when the first complete census was taken, there were 3,507,130 females in England, Scotland and Wales, and 4,339,836 males—in other words, more females than males by 504,304.

BEAUTIFYING HIGHWAYS.

"JOY FOR CENTURIES
TO COME."

The planting of trees by the sides of the new arterial roads of Great Britain furnishes a glorious opportunity of handing down to posterity a scheme of wayside beauty and utility.

Many county councils are keenly interested in the question, and therefore, a new volume, "Roadside Planting," giving detailed suggestions for beautifying the roads, so that they will be a joy for centuries to come is opportune. Mrs. Wilfrid Ashley has made a useful suggestion that poplars should be planted in the neighbourhood of cross-roads, as a caution to approaching motorists.

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ISLAND SHIPWRECK HORRORS.

CAPTAIN'S SWIM AMONG
SHARKS.

Terrible experiences on an uninhabited island in the South Seas were described by Captain Dan Hamer of Barry, the master of the steamer "Norwich City," which foundered on a submerged coral reef in a fierce storm.

The vessel was bound from Sydney to Honolulu, and had experienced great storms when she struck a reef at Gardner Island, one of the Phoenix group, on November 29.

The sea was like a cauldron and alive with man-eating sharks. The ship burst into flames after striking, and was completely wrecked. She carried a crew of thirty-four, and eleven men were drowned, five Europeans and six Arab firemen.

Swept From Bridge.

Captain Hamer said that while the men were preparing to launch lifeboats by the aid of a vivid lightning a great wave struck the ship, sweeping him from the ship into the sea.

"I hit the water forty feet below, and swam fifty yards clear of the ship," he said. "The current carried me through the surf and landed me on the reef. I could see the island two hundred yards away when dawn broke, and I made for it."

"I gave no thought to the sharks, and I landed safely, but exhausted. The crew thought me drowned. They left the ship at dawn. The lifeboats were thrown into the tremendous surf and capsized. It was then that the eleven men lost their lives."

The survivors reached safety, cut and bruised about the body, having discarded their clothes in their struggle for their lives.

The steward, Mr. J. Jones, of Penarth, collapsed just before he reached the shore.

"The crew were amazed to see me, and I heard one say: 'Good heavens, what is that!' pointing to me. Another replied, 'I cannot be the old man, he is lost.'"

"We were five days on the island, exposed to the wind and weather. Our rations consisted of one biscuit, covered with corn beef, and half a tin of milk and water a day."

"Huge land crabs and rats entered our camp, and we had no sleep."

Desperate Fight.

"There were hundreds of sharks in the lagoon, and whenever we went near the shore the sharks congregated around the spot as if they were hungrily waiting to devour us."

"We had a desperate fight to ward off land crabs and rats. The mate went to sleep one night, and was awakened by a bite from a great crab. Others had tried to sleep, but after this adventure we were content to keep awake until the dawn."

"At last," said Captain Hamer, "we saw two ships approaching the island, one from the north and the other from the south. They were the 'Tromsøe' of London, and the 'Lincoln Ellsworth' of Oslo."

"We saw them lowering boats, and in one of them there were six Ellice Island natives which Administrator Allen, of Apia, had recruited."

"They were men of wonderful physique, and handled a small surf boat in masterly fashion. We were rescued, three men at a time, in the surf boat, and taken safely to the Tromsøe waiting outside the reef."

£10 DEBT DEATH DRAMA.

ARRESTED MAN SWALLOWS
PRUSSIC ACID.

A death drama took place in York railway station recently in full view of many passengers.

Joseph Harrison, aged forty, of Belle Vue-terrace, York, who had been arrested on a commitment warrant for debt, was being taken to Hull to serve fourteen days' imprisonment when he suddenly jumped away from his escort and pulling out of his pocket a bottle of prussic acid swallowed the contents. He immediately collapsed and died, although every effort was made to save his life.

Harrison was employed as a counter hand by Raimes and Co., wholesale druggists, of Misklegate, York, and at the inquest held last in the day employees of Messrs. Raimes said that the poison room was kept locked. It was a mystery how Harrison secured the prussic acid.

Harrison was at work when the bailiffs arrested him for the debt, which was said to be £10. The warrant was issued last November, but was not executed until the day of the tragedy.

The coroner found that Harrison committed suicide, and that there was no evidence to show the state of his mind.

The idea of planting fruit trees along the roadside, as applied in France and Switzerland, is not commended. People tempted to gather the fruit would injure the trees, and children are liable to be run over.

THE USE OF OPIUM.

AN EASTERN REMINDER TO
THE WEST.

Should the West deny to the East the right to have opium?

A Commission of the League of Nations has been making a tour of India to investigate the opium question, and the *Rangoon Times* (Burma) puts forward a point of view which is critical of those who seek to interfere with the habits of the Orient.

The West has no moral right (says the newspaper) to make it impossible for people in the East to obtain the "solace" of opium, so long as Westerners insist upon having the "solace" of alcohol. The paper goes on to say:—

"The East, of course, provides many instances of the degraded use of the malignant drug-salts, but the general use of opium is another matter altogether. If the West desires to compare habit with habit, it should compare opium not with heroin or cocaine, but with beer and whisky—particularly beer, as both opium and beer have long been the solace of large bodies of people wracked by hard physical labour or exposure to hard conditions, and unable to afford much in the way of restoratives and comfort. We understand that the question of total prohibition may arise as far as Burma is concerned. Total prohibition must stand on the same grounds as the prohibition of alcohol."

"We refrain from going over again the grounds of this controversy upon which so many hundreds of reams have been written since American Prohibition. Liberty of the individual conscience, industrial expediency, alternatives more disastrous than the original evil, administrative practicability—all these and other questions apply both to opium and to alcohol. As regards the British position, too, there is the additional question of the moral right to prohibit the solace of certain people of one race of Empire citizens, while permitting the solace of certain people of another race of Empire citizens. The problem is to forward the aim of the League of Nations to the utmost while being not unheeded of the voice of the people."

SENSATIONAL MEDICAL DISCOVERY.

ASTOUNDING VITALITY
CLAIMS.

A sensational discovery which claims to prolong the active life of both men and women was announced recently by the Faculty of Medicine of McGill University at Montreal.

The discovery has been made by Dr. J. B. Collip, the chairman of the Biochemical Laboratory of the university.

Dr. Collip was associated with Dr. Baileys in the diabetes researches which promised insulin.

This new discovery will, it is believed, revolutionize humanity, and will have the effect of:—
Eliminating many existing ailments of women;
Remedying conditions in adolescence caused by lack of maturity.

Dr. Collip, after long experimenting, has, it is claimed, succeeded in standardising a hormone of internal secretion having effects somewhat similar to those of the pituitary gland, a hormone is a substance manufactured in the body.

Voronoff Outdone.

The new substance discovered by Dr. Collip is administered as a drug, and has been derived from the placental gland.

The drug out-Voronoff Voronoff, an official of McGill University, stated.

Experiments have been made on rodents, and a thorough clinical study of the drug will be continued in laboratories and hospitals.

Dr. Collip was aided in making his amazing discovery by investigators in other countries—particularly by Dr. Wiesner, of Edinburgh.

"First in the Race."

Dr. B. P. Wiesner, a young Austrian, is a member of Professor F. A. E. Crew's team of physiologists at Edinburgh University, and is regarded as one of the most brilliant young physiologists in Europe.

"I am not surprised that Dr. Collip has been able to carry the work to this point," he told a reporter in his laboratory in Edinburgh.

"He is an able scientist. Professor Crew and I have been engaged in this research for two years and have explained the fruits of our study on a number of occasions. I took the opportunity, when visiting America last year, in connection with a medical congress in Boston to explain our discoveries and methods to Dr. Collip. Many men have been working on this question, but he has been first in the race."

Ten Years' Work.

Professor Crew, the director of the animal breeding research department, is delighted by his young colleague's success.

RACECOURSE RIOT.

BUILDINGS SET ON FIRE.
POLICE UNHURSED.

A violent riot broke out suddenly during the first race at the Vincennes track, Paris, last month, owing to nine of the horses having to run a second time after a false start which carried them almost to the finish.

In the twinkling of an eye a crowd of almost 5,000 angry backers set fire to the betting booths, and then swarmed on to the track and into the paddock and smashed up everything they could lay their hands on.

The fifty-odd foot and mounted policemen on duty along the track were buried under a storm of flying chairs, sticks, and bottles, and the mounted men were unhorsed.

Riot Calls.

When fire brigades and forty loads of policemen arrived a few minutes later in answer to riot calls, the great racing establishment was ablaze in a score of places.

The terrified racing commissioners were barricading themselves in their houses; the frightened horses in the stables were neighing shrilly; women in the tribunes were screaming, and the rioters were piling up chairs and other equipment to make more bonfires.

A long row of fifteen betting and selling booths in the field had all their contents of tickets and money soon a smouldering mass of ruin; hundreds of windows were smashed, and even the starting-gates were blazing.

At 3 p.m. M. Chiappe, Paris Prefect of Police, arrived on the scene to direct the police force and try to restore order. At his demand the commissioners suspended the other races and tried to soothe the mob by announcing that the money paid for admission tickets would be reimbursed.

The trouble started at the beginning of the first race, the Prix du Douvres.

"Return Our Money."

Five of the fourteen horses failed to get away as the starter hesitated before dropping his flag, thereby annulling the race, and by this time nine of the horses including some of the favourites, were far down the track going at high speed, the jockeys not knowing that the race was off.

As the nine horses turned into the home stretch a furious cry of "Return our money" arose from the horde of backers. In spite of these protests the race was re-run amid a tremendous hubbub.

When the result was announced there was an immediate explosion of wrath, and as the horses were led towards the scales another cry of "Return our money" burst out from the crowd, who made a dash for the grand stand. The reign of terror lasted for almost half an hour.

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EXPERIMENTAL MEASURE
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CHURCH NOTICES.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL,
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MARCH 16, 1930, 2nd Sunday in Lent:—
Holy Communion at 8 a.m.
Holy Communion (Pauk Church) at 8 a.m.

Children's Service at 10 a.m.
Sunday School at Peak School at 10 a.m.

Choral Holy Communion Service, a 11 a.m.

Prayer:—Rev. H. V. Koop.
Evangelist at 6:00 p.m.

LECTURE at 8:30 p.m., followed by
Discussion.

Subject:—"What are Heaven and Hell?"

Speaker:—Rev. G. K. Carpenter, M.A.,
M.Sc., of St. Stephen's College.

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SUNDAY SERVICES, March 16, 1930, at
11.15 a.m.

Subject:—SUBSTANCE.

The Sunday School is held on Sunday
Mornings at 10 o'clock.

Wednesday Evening Meeting at
8.30 p.m.

Reading Room at above address, open:
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Monday and Thursday, 3.30 to 7 p.m.

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the services and visit the Reading Room.

UNION CHURCH
(KENNEDY ROAD).

SUNDAY, March 16, 1930:—
Divine Worship will be conducted as
follows:—

Morning Service at 11 a.m.
Evening Service at 6 p.m.

Prayer, morning and evening:—The
Rev. F. Short.

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QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.
SUNDAY SERVICES, March 16, 1930:—
Morning at 10.15 a.m.

Prayer:—Rev. E. Johnston, M.A.
Evening at 6.00 p.m.

Prayer:—Mr. Gardner.
Sunday School at 3.00 p.m.

SAILORS' AND SOLDIERS'
HOME.

PRAYA EAST.
SUNDAY, March 16, 1930:—
8.15 p.m.—Service Men's Hour.

MONDAY, March 17, 1930:—
3.00 p.m.—Meeting of the Ladies
Church Aid.

WEDNESDAY, March 19, 1930:—
8.30 p.m.—United Fellowship Meeting.

THE DIOCESAN BOYS'
SCHOOL.

A Confirmation Service will be held
in the Hall of the DIOCESAN BOYS'
SCHOOL on SUNDAY NEXT, MARCH 16th,
at 10 a.m., when Sixteen Boys will
be presented to the Bishop of Victoria for
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CLEMENCEAU'S
GREAT HATE."WAR TO THE DEATH
WITH KINGS."

Those who want to know what kind of a man Clemenceau was will find some clues in a short study of his life, "The Tiger-Georges Clemenceau," by Mr. George Adam, an English journalist in Paris, which was published last month in London.

Clemenceau was a Jacobin. He was "the watch-dog of the republic." He knew in his youth Joseph Cornuier, who had been a friend of Marat—beside whom some people think Robespierre was almost an angel! Clemenceau's father was arrested under Napoleon III. Clemenceau himself was arrested at a later period under Napoleon III. He was a "son of the Revolution," and he had a deadly hatred of royalism, which in France was the enemy of the republic.

The Tiger-Spring.
He made his tiger-spring and brought down Ministry after Ministry simply because he believed that one Ministry after another was failing the republic. He became Premier at last to save the republic.

His savage hatred of royalism is illustrated in a letter which Mr. Adam quotes. Clemenceau wrote it to a woman at the time when the Archduke Maximilian, who tried to set up as Emperor of Mexico, had been shot by the Mexicans. The Empress, Charlotte, Maximilian's wife, went mad after Maximilian was killed.

"Good heavens!" wrote Clemenceau. "I naturally know that all such folk are always charming! I grant you that at the start; they have been that for five or six thousand years."

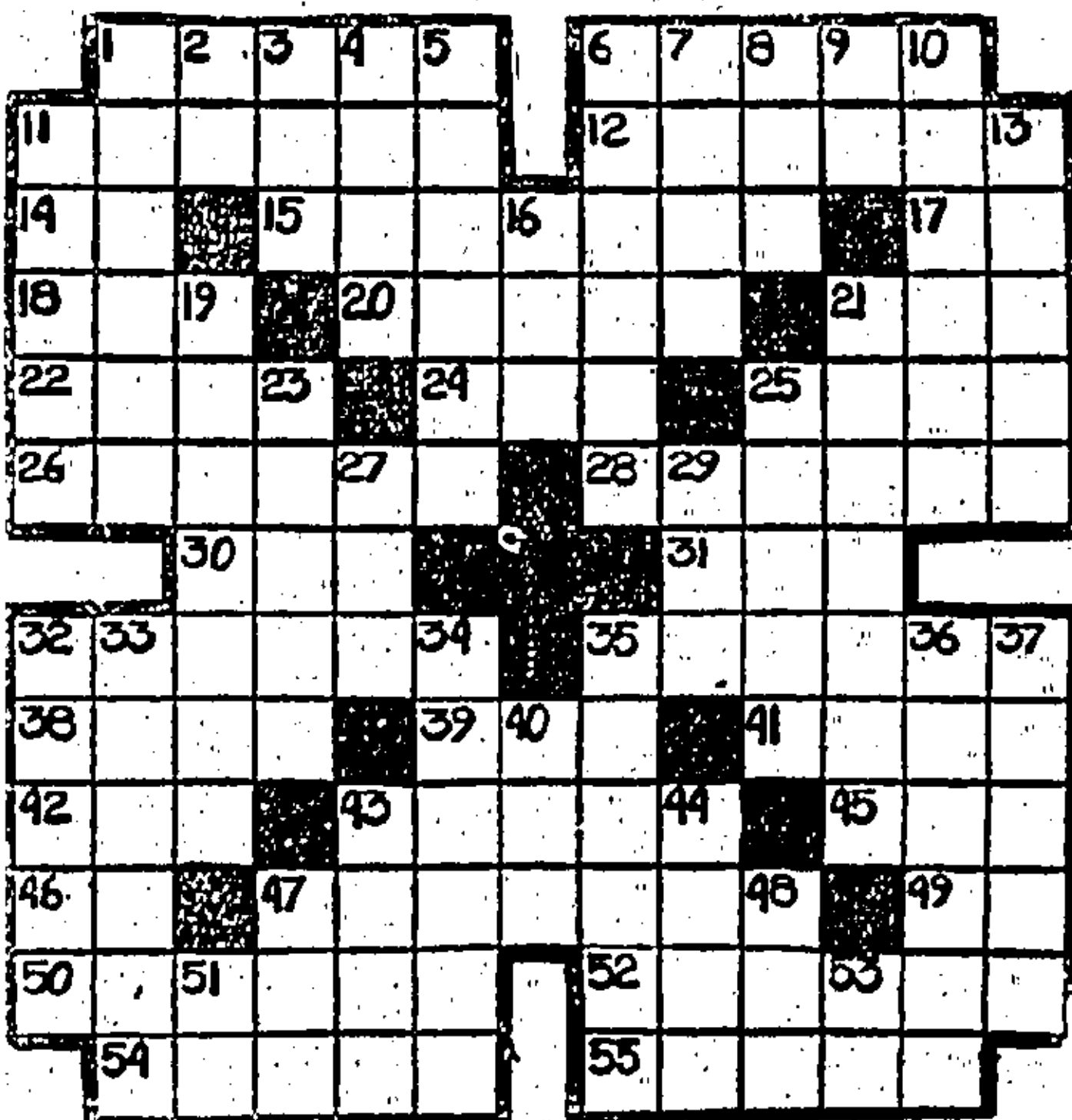
Merciless Hatred.

"Well, I am going to tell you one thing: all these emperors, kings, archdukes, and princes are great, sublime, generous and superb, and their princesses are everything you like to think of them."

"But I hate them with a merciless hatred, with the hatred of 1789, when people called that idiot Louis XVI. an execrable tyrant."

"Between us and such people there is war to the death. 'Maximilian wanted to commit a real crime. He has been killed by those he wanted to kill. I am delighted. His wife is mad; there could be nothing more just. It almost makes me believe in Providence.'"

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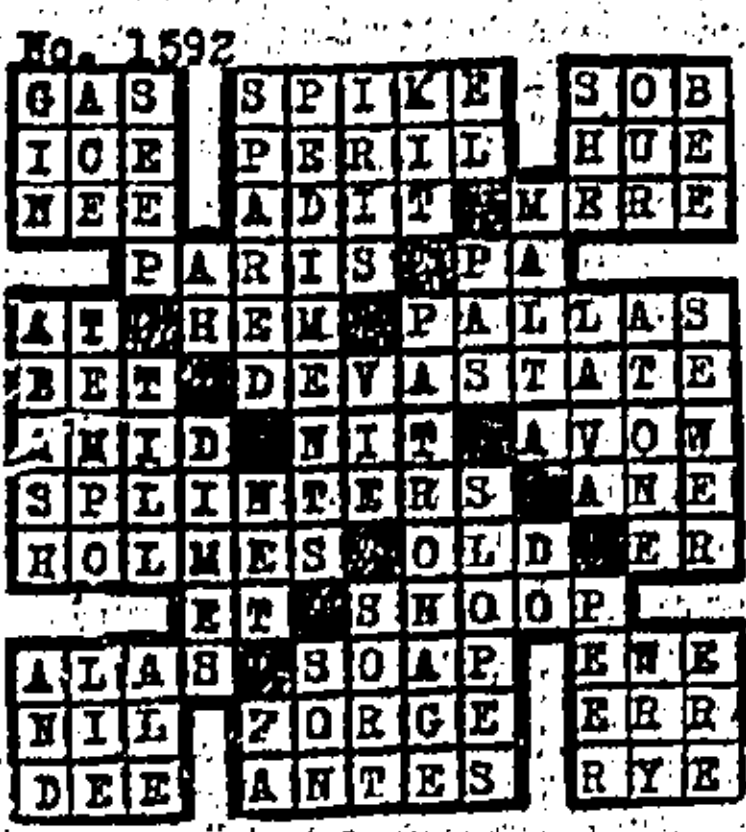
Horizontal.

- 1.—Lassoed.
- 6.—A weapon.
- 11.—To ridicule.
- 12.—Pendant ornament.
- 14.—Alfalfa.
- 15.—Sentries.
- 17.—Mother.
- 18.—To place.
- 20.—To decay.
- 22.—English school.
- 24.—To change colour of.
- 25.—To appoint.
- 26.—Dignified.
- 28.—Ship in "black birding" trade.
- 30.—To expire.
- 31.—To cool.
- 32.—Divided in two.
- 35.—Rears of vessels.
- 38.—Toward the sheltered side.
- 39.—A rodent.
- 41.—Porch.
- 42.—To offer.
- 43.—Kind of island.
- 45.—To soak.
- 46.—Within.
- 47.—Pertaining to abdomen.
- 49.—Therefore.
- 50.—Cylindrical.
- 52.—One who eludes.
- 54.—Men and women.
- 55.—Wise men.

Vertical.

- 1.—Estimation.
- 2.—Conjunction.
- 3.—Mark on playing card.
- 4.—To revise.
- 5.—To conclude.
- 6.—Metric land measures.
- 7.—Strokes.
- 8.—A worm.
- 9.—Like.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



THE FAMILY ALBUM—THE KEYS OF THE CAR

By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



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HUMOUR: ANCIENT AND MODERN.

"Would you marry a stupid man if he had money?"
"How much have you?"

Retired Farmer: "Guess I'll rest a while, I've brought in the egg."
Wife: "Well, you haven't counted the egg."

He: "Am I good enough for you?"
She: "No, George; but, you are too good for any other girl."

"How do you like me in my new gown? I got it for a ridiculous price."
"You mean you got it for an absurd figure?"

Clergyman (making a call): "And do you always do as your mamma tells you to, Flossie?"
Flossie (emphatically): "I do, and so does papast."

"Why, that steak must weigh three pounds, at least. Surely you're not going to eat it all alone?"
"No, I'm just waiting for the vegetables."

In the middle of a boring card party one of the guests spoke to a young woman who was yawning.
"Awfully boring, isn't it? If it weren't so embarrassing I'd go home."
"Yes, wish I could, too; but, hang it all, I live here."

Professor, going over examination papers, to student:—
"How do you account for your observation that nitrogen is unknown in Ireland?"
Student: "The textbook distinctly says that nitrogen is not found in the free state!"

An old dandy was tending the coats upstairs in the Governor's mansion. He noticed a prominent politician tumbling them over, looking under the bed and so on.
"Kin I help you, suh?"
"I can't find my new hat; paid \$10 for it yesterday."
"Bless you, suh. All the new hats bin gone over an hour or mo."

A woman of uncertain vocal attainments deemed it her vocation not merely to lead, but also drown the efforts of the village choir.
The choir rose in protest, and asked the vicar to inform the offender that she must sing more in harmony.

Calling on her as soon as he could brace himself up for the unpleasant duty, the vicar said blandly:
"And now, Miss B., I have been asked to say a word to you about your singing."
"Don't mention it," the chorister broke in. "Not to me be the praise—it's a gift!"

Mr. and Mrs. Bust were very pleased with the new twins. Many and furious had been the arguments over the naming of the little darlings. But at last they had agreed, and now they were at the church for the christening ceremony.

Mother was holding the little girl, while father had the boy.
The clergyman turned to the mother.
"Well, Mrs. Bust—what are the little girl's Christian names to be?"
"Florence May."
"And how about the little boy?"
"John Will."

"Oh, dear, I'm in such a quandary!"
"What is it?"
"Jack promises to stop drinking if I marry him, and Tom threatens to begin if I don't!"

Racing Enthusiast: "That's Mrs. Murgatroyd—the unluckiest punter I ever met."
Friend: "I'm not surprised. A woman with a figure like hers has no business to be boating in anything smaller than an ocean liner."

Young Man (to dog dealer): "Have you a dog about so high, and about so long? A sort of greyhound, but it isn't quite, because it's tail's shorter and it's head bigger, and the legs aren't so long and the body's thinner. Do you keep that sort?"
Dealer: "No, sir, I don't. I drown 'em."

A bishop noticed a small boy playing in the gutter. "What are you doing, my little man?" he asked.
"Makin' a kerfendral," replied the boy.
"A cathedral! But where's the bishop?"
"Oh, I ain't got enough mud to make a bishop."

Two young men were having a heated argument over a problem which needed a great deal of mental calculation. "I tell you," said one, "that you are entirely wrong."
"But I am not," said the other. "Didn't I go to school, stupid!"
"Yes," was the calm reply, "and you left it stupid."

Mrs. Strange: "I am sorry to hear that you have had trouble with your husband."
Mrs. Young: "You have been misinformed. It was merely a little disparity of opinions. You know, married people cannot always agree."

"Can't they? Well, we always agree. In fact, I make it a point to see that we agree; or, rather, that Joseph agrees with me, which amounts to the same thing."

A small pantomime company went on tour with a depleted crowd of spectators to render "The Forty Thieves." Only eight "thieves" could be mustered, and it was necessary for the octette to run pretty smartly behind the scenes and attach themselves to the rear of their own line in order to give the impression that the entire lot were present.

One of the eight had a very large and red nose, and upon his appearing for the fourth time, a sympathetic hail from the gallery greeted him: "Stick it, Nosey, you're on the last lap!"

"I don't think there's anything wrong in asking for an increase of salary," said the clerk to his employer. "You may remember you promised me a rise when I had been with you a year."

"I know, I did," rejoined the employer, "but didn't I make it conditional upon your giving me every satisfaction?"
"And in what way, sir, haven't I given you satisfaction?" asked the clerk.
"In what way?" replied the employer with a show of anger. "Do you think you are satisfying me in asking for a rise?"

CATHOLICISM AND
WOMEN'S DRESS.DECREE AGAINST "IMMOR-
DEST FASHIONS."

The Catholic Church's drive against immodest feminine attire in Rome was reinforced recently by a rigid decree, addressed to the Bishops, parish priests, parents, directors of institutions, and those who run schools and colleges, by the Congregation of Council, which is one of the Congregations constituting the Government of the Church.

The decree contains twelve articles, and aims at backing up previous steps taken by the Pope to eliminate abbreviated costumes. It calls on educational leaders and parents to take an active part in combating immodest fashions in women's dress. The Bishops are ordered to devote a certain part of their time to carrying on this work and to devote a certain amount of space to the progress of their campaign when making out the reports which they return to the Congregation every three years.

The Congregation declares that women who are not properly attired cannot be allowed to receive the Holy Communion nor be recognised as godmothers at baptismal ceremonies. If necessary, churches are authorised to refuse admittance to women who are considered to be improperly dressed.

HARROW SCHOOL.

PRESERVING THE OLD PIE
HOUSE.

The Headmaster of Harrow, Dr. Cyril Norwood, is still absent, but the news from the South of France, where he is staying with Mrs. Norwood, indicates that he has made an excellent recovery from his illness.

Mr. Archer Vassall, Senior Master, who is carrying out the duties as Acting-Headmaster, came to Harrow thirty years ago, and has been Housemaster at Elmfield for seventeen years. He is a member of the famous Vassall family of athletes, and was a well-known Rugby and Association player. There has been a movement in Harrow for the purchase or preservation of the Old Pie House—said to be 600 years old—in the occupation of the local electric light company. It now transpires that the Governors of Harrow School are the freeholders, a fact unknown to the promoters. No further steps are therefore to be taken, as the promoters are content to leave the future of this interesting relic in the hands of the School.

ADVICE FOR INVESTORS.

READERS are reminded that inquiries relating to the share market are answered on page 11 every Tuesday by "Kufan." Letters should be sent to this office, and must be accompanied by writer's name and address, not for publication. Letters should be addressed to "Kufan," care of the Editor.

TO-DAY'S WIRELESS
PROGRAMME.BROADCAST BY Z.B.W. ON
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11 to 11.30 a.m.—Commercial News.
12 noon to 1 p.m.—Demonstration programme.

1.30 p.m.—Weather report.

7 p.m.—Experimental programme during which the following H.M.V. and Victor records (supplied by Messrs. Moutrie) will be broadcast—

"Phedre-Overture" (Massenet), San Francisco Symphony Orch. "Sunny Side Up—Fox Trot" and "If I Had A Talking Picture Of You—Fox Trot," Johnny Hamp's Kentucky Serenaders. "Moscow" (Tolchard Evans) and "This Is Heaven" (Yellen and Asst), Gracie Field.

"Two Wonderful For Words—Fox Trot" and "Seppin' Along—Fox Trot" (William Kernell), All Star Orchestra. "Underneath The Russian Moon—Fox Trot" and "San Sebastian," Edward O'Henry.

"The Lonesome Road—Fox Trot" and "Susanna—Fox Trot," Nat Shilkret and the Victor Orchestra. "Thinkin' Of Mary" (Bennett) and "Colombine's Garden," Walter Clynn.

"Underneath The Russian Moon" Waltz and "The One That I Love—Loves Me—Fox Trot," Rudy Vallee and His Connecticut Yankees. "Beau Soir (Evening Fair)" and "Clair De Lune (The Wistful Moon)," Mary Garden.

"If I Had A Talking Picture Of You" and "I'm A Dreamer (Aren't We All)," Gracie Fields. "Laughing Marionette—Fox Trot" and "I Lift Up My Finger And I Say—Sweet! Sweet!—Fox Trot," Jack Hylton and His Orchestra.

"Ce Steva Na Vota" (Racoun-tino) and "Pesca D'Ammore (Love's Angling)," Tito Schipa. "Lucky Me Lovable—You—Fox Trot" and "Happy Days Are Here Again—Fox Trot," Leo Reisman and His Orchestra.

"Just Keeping On" and "Mighty Lak' A Rose," Paul Robeson. "Tip-Toe Thru' The Tulips With Me—Fox Trot" and "Painting The Clouds With Sunshine—Fox Trot," Jean Goldkette and His Orchestra.

"Russian Nightingale Song" and "1. Chelvetos (Carnations); 2. Estrellita (Little Star)," Amelita Galli-Curci. "Get Out And Get Under The Moon—Fox Trot" and "In The Evening—Fox Trot," Waring's Pennsylvanians Vocal refrain by Tom Waring.

"The Old Superb" and "Home-ward Bound," Peter Dawson. "Amoureuse—Waltz" and "Jolly Fellows—Waltz," International Novelty Orchestra.

9 p.m.—Weather report and local time.
H.M.V. record: "Dear Love—Vocal Gems" (Wood, Tunbridge and Waller) Light Opera Company.
Local football results.
Dance music.
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11.30 p.m.—Close down.

SUNDAY.

9.55 a.m.—Morning Service relayed from St. Joseph's Church: I.—Holy Mass: (a) Kyrie (F. Vittadini); (b) Sermon (Rev. Fr. P. Joy, S.J.); (c) Offertory: "Salve Regina" (G. Ramella); (d) Sanctus, Benedictus and Agnus Dei (Vittadini); (e) Post-Communion.

II.—Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.
At the end of the relay there will be a Chinese programme until 1 p.m.
9 p.m.—Weather report and local time.

Evening programme of Victor and H.M.V. records supplied by Messrs. Moutrie & Co.: "Zampa Overture" (Herold); "Victor Symphony Orchestra"; "The Journey's End" (De Rance, arr. Hewitt) and "The Deathless Army" (Trotter), Peter Dawson, Bass Baritone.

Suite Gothique" (Boellmann), Reginald Goss-Custard, F.R.C.O. Organ Solo.
"Reviews" (Fragson) and "Take A Look At Mine" (Dougherty), Gracie Fields, Comedienne.
"Geisha"—Selection (Jones) and "Belle Of New York"—Selection (Kerker), Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards, Military Band.

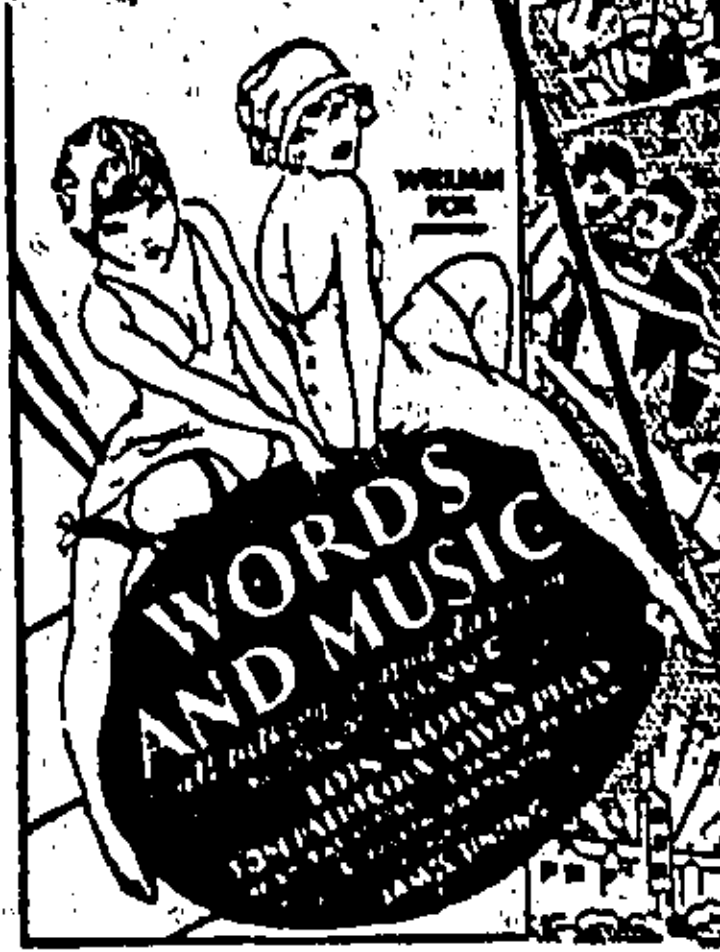
"Mountain Lovers" (Squire) and "Nirvana" (Adams), John Turner, Tenor.
"Chanson Triste" (Koussevitzky, Op. 9) and "Sonata—Largo" (Henry Eccles, arr. Serge Koussevitzky), Serge Koussevitzky, String Bass Solo with Piano.

"The Trumpeter" (Dix) and "On The Road To Mandalay" (Hedgecock), Peter Dawson, Bass Baritone.
"The Arcadians" (Monckton) and "Veronique" (Messager), Light Opera Company.
"Invictus" (Hahn) and "Trees" (Rasmussen), John Brownlee, Baritone.

"Fete—Dieu A Seville (Holiday In Seville)" (Albeniz), Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra.
10.20 p.m.—Close down.

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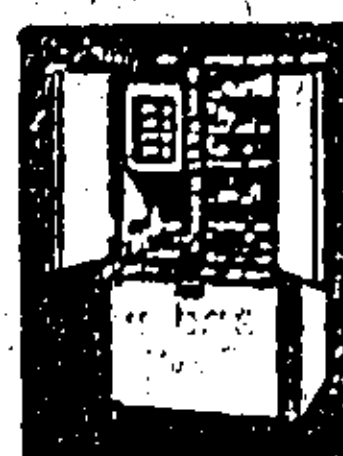
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SAYS BRITISH GET TOO
MUCH.

Nanking, Mar. 8.—In a memorandum submitted to Mr. Sun Fo, Minister of Railways, by Mr. John J. Mantell, Adviser to the Ministry, regarding the latter's inspection of the Canton-Kowloon Railway, the American railway expert calls attention to the alleged "unfair division that exists on through traffic as between the British and Chinese sections."

"On through traffic between Hong Kong and Canton," Mr. Mantell continues, "the British section contributes 20 per cent. mileage and insists on receiving 35 per cent. of the revenue, although it only contributes 20 per cent. of the equipment. Unfair and inequitable agreements of this kind do not tend to promote close co-operation between Chinese and foreign interests and the question should be taken up with the British authorities with a view to obtaining an equitable and fair adjustment of revenue on through traffic."

"There are plenty of precedents for division of revenues based on mileage as between railroads, as well as between railway companies operating separate railways in two different countries handling through rates, such as Canada and the United States, which is on a mileage prorata basis. It is believed this is a subject that should have early attention, as a greater part of the through revenue originates on the Chinese Section."

Junction With Hankow.

Mr. Mantell also discusses the proposed development of the port of Canton. In his opinion the southern extension of the Canton-Hankow Railway should be connected with the Canton-Kowloon Railway. He points out, however, that there may be "grave political objections on the part of the city of Canton, which is principally due to diversion of trade and revenue from Canton to Hong Kong."

"The economic development of the hinterland from Canton," Mr. Mantell continues, "would materially help Canton in the matter of increased trade, and permit Chinese products, such as coal, to compete in the market at Hong Kong as against Japanese interests which have a monopoly and cause a consequent great loss of revenue to South China. When the city of Canton is in a position to undertake a proper port development at Canton, to accommodate deep water ships, there should be no fear of the competition of the port of Hong Kong as both ports will serve individual needs, and with the economic structure favouring Canton on account of the ability of the Chinese Government to name proper goods rate differentials in favour of Canton as against the longer haul to Hong Kong."

It will be recalled that the Canton-Kowloon Railway was built as a result of the Agreement signed on March 7, 1907, between the Chinese Government and the British and Chinese Corporation. The agreement provided for an issue of £1,500,000 five per cent. shares to be floated in London to cover the cost of construction and equipment. The loan was secured by a first mortgage on all of the lands, buildings and equipment of the railway in favour of the British and Chinese Corporation as trustees for the bondholders. The agreement stipulates that the Chinese Government will not build another parallel line which will be detrimental to the interests of the Canton-Kowloon Railway.

Motor Competition.

The American expert points out that, with the building of an automobile road between Hong Kong and Canton, the railway will be faced with serious motor-bus competition and more frequent service, and equality of rates. "Serious attention would, therefore, have to be given," he suggests, "to the lowering of rates to meet motor-bus competition. Lowering of rates can only be successful met by reorganization and reduction in overhead expenses and increased length of trains which can be brought about by heavier and more economical locomotives."

Mr. Mantell states that the total operating revenue in 1927 was about the same as in 1928, but the total operating expenses of the railway increased nearly 64 per cent. "The increase in expenses," he declared, "was principally due to increase in wages, lack of business methods in conducting the affairs of the railway, carrying a large number of unnecessary employees, lack of intelligent check on expenditure for conducting the business, and in the purchase of supplies."

WIFE FINDS HER OWN TOMBSTONE.

LIBEL ACTION AGAINST
HUSBAND FAILS.

"IN LOVING MEMORY."

An extraordinary case in which a wife alleged that she had been libelled on a tombstone by her husband came before Mr. Justice Macnaghten at Chester Assizes last month.

The action for alleged libel was brought by Mrs. Edith Maud Crawshaw Ralston, of Ludlow, Shropshire, against her husband, Mr. William Robert Crawshaw Ralston, of independent means, living in Anglesey.

Mr. Justice Macnaghten, without hearing evidence, found that the case was not maintainable in law because under the Married Women's Property Act a wife was prevented from bringing an action against her husband unless it was for the security of her property.

"In my opinion," he added, "the libel cannot injure the wife in her business, and therefore she cannot bring the action."

Deed of Separation.

Mr. Trevor Hunter, K.C., for Mrs. Ralston, said that the parties were married at St. Stephen's Church, Kensington, thirty-seven years ago. They moved in good society, and went to live in Breconshire. There was a marriage settlement of £25,000, but after six years the wife left her husband and a deed of separation was prepared whereby she had custody of the two children.

Mrs. Ralston visited Llandudno last July, and in company with two friends went to Anglesey, where in a churchyard she saw a tombstone with the inscription:—

"In loving memory of Jennie, the dearly beloved wife of W. R. Crawshaw Ralston, of the Bungalow, Valley. Died May 20, 1916. They also found an entry of the death in the register for the Holyhead district.

"No more cruel libel could be imagined," said Mr. Hunter. "Damages are a minor consideration. Mrs. Ralston seeks only to protect her future interests."

Mr. Hunter added that since the beginning of the action the inscription on the tombstone had been erased.

Another claim by Mrs. Ralston was for an injunction to restrain her husband from continuing to publish the alleged libel, and asking for a declaration that she was the lawful wife of Mr. Ralston.

The Judge in delivering his decision said that he proposed to make the order as follows:—

"The parties agree that if the claim herein for damages for libel be maintainable in law, such damages be £100, but the judge being of opinion that it is not maintainable, it is ordered that the same be dismissed without costs; and as to the other claim, the husband having erased the words complained of from the tombstone and his counsel having promised to correct the entry in the register, the judge did not think fit to make any further order except that each party bear his or her costs of the action."

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LOCAL HOCKEY.

RECREIO BEAT CLUB "A."

Club de Recreio and the Hong Kong Hockey Club "A" team met in a friendly fixture at King's Park

yesterday, and after a very close and exciting first half, during which each side netted twice, the Portuguese lady added three goals to their total in the second half to win by 5 goals to 2. It was a good game and it was due to their more speedy forwards that Recreio won.



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THE CONSULAR TRUNK SCANDAL.

CHINESE EXTENDING INQUIRIES TO SINGAPORE.

Nanking, March 10.—The Central News Agency states that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has instructed the Chinese Consul-General at Singapore to make inquiries concerning the report that the so-called Kao Ying opium plot originated there.

This instruction was issued upon the request of the Szechow High Court, which is hearing the appeal of Mr. and Mrs. Kao Ying, who were found guilty by the Nanking District Court of smuggling opium into San Francisco and sentenced to imprisonment. The hearing of the appeal has been postponed pending further investigations by the authorities.

V.R.C. ANNUAL MEETING.

A VERY SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

The annual general meeting of the Victoria Recreation Club was held at the club yesterday evening, Mr. W. Logan presiding. Mr. James Stewart, the Hon. Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting which were passed unanimously.

Mr. Logan's Remarks.

Mr. Logan in passing the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for 1929, said:—
Before passing the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for 1929, I should like to make a few remarks in regard to our year's work. Before proceeding I wish to thank the members of the Committee for the good work and time they have given so cheerfully, enabling me to present such an excellent Report and Balance Sheet.

You will, if you carefully inspect the club, see that a good deal of attention has been given to renovating and bringing our premises into its present excellent condition. You will observe from the accounts that we have written off \$1,896.69, and commenced 1930 with a cash balance of \$1,236.55. This, gentlemen, considering the bad times everybody in the Colony has experienced, reflects great credit on your Committee. We enrolled during the year 48 new members, and I would ask you all to induce your friends to join the Victoria Recreation Club. We have a membership of 181 members, but during 1930 I should like to see it stand at about 250 at least.

Election of Officers.

Mr. Logan addressing the meeting, said that he had received a letter from the Hon. W. T. Southern, C.M.G. (Officer Administering the Government) regretting his inability to be present at the meeting. He was, however, extremely pleased to know that the Club was flourishing, and intimated his willingness to accept the post of Chairman once again.

Mr. Southern was elected to the post by the members with acclamation. In proposing the re-election of Mr. James Stewart to the post as Hon. Secretary, Mr. Logan also remarked that Mr. Stewart had done yeoman service during the year and took great pleasure in proposing his re-election. Mr. Stewart was elected unanimously. Mr. H. Hyndman was also elected as Hon. Treasurer by the full vote of the meeting.

Committee Re-elected.

In proposing the re-election of the block of the Committee, Mr. D. Lyon said that they had put in splendid work and the meeting could do no better than by re-electing the present members. The Committee, consisting of Messrs. W. Logan, F. W. T. Ross, A. F. B. Silva-Neta, J. R. Soares, A. A. Alves, J. R. Johnstone, S. A. Marcal, W. Anderson and J. J. Edgar, were duly re-elected.

New Life Members.

Mr. Logan also proposed the election as life members of Messrs: D. S. Gubbay, J. H. R. Hance and W. G. Goggin. Mr. Gubbay had been a constant member of the club for forty-five years and was now retiring. Messrs. Hance and Goggin had donated debentures to the Club.

The Ballotting Committee.

The Ballotting Committee, consisting of ten members, were elected to serve during the year. The members elected were Messrs. J. M. M. Alves, J. A. Victor, L. Rosa Pereira, L. A. Soares, B. Gosano, R. W. Maynard, W. Foraita, F. P. Lenfesty, W. G. Howard and W. F. Kerr.

In closing the meeting, a hearty vote of thanks was offered to the Chairman, Mr. Logan, for conducting the meeting. Mr. Logan replied thanking the members and wished the Club an even more successful year for 1930 than the previous year.

HELENA MAY, KOWLOON.

LAST NIGHT'S CONCERT.

The concert given by the Helena May, Kowloon, at their new premises at Amice Villas, Austin Road, last night was very well attended. Violin selections and songs formed the programme for the evening and the artistes, Madame Carola, Mrs. Arnold, the Misses Braga and Mr. John Braga were very heartily applauded by the audience.

The concert programme was as under:—

- 1.—Quartet
 - (a) Minuet from Symphony G Minor Mozart.
 - (b) Chanson du Matin Elgar.
- 2.—Songs
 - (a) Danza Danza Francesco Durante.
 - (b) Romanza Ebben A. Calabani.
- 3.—Violin Solo
 - (a) Legende Wieniawski.
 - (b) Kujawiak Wieniawski.
- 4.—Songs
 - (a) Enlilaph May Seldon.
 - (b) Almond, Wild Almond Graham Peel.
- 5.—Music. When Soft Voices Die Roger Quilter.
- 6.—Trio
 - (a) Minature F. Bridge.
 - (b) Nina (Pergolesi) Kreisler.

MURDERED MAN ALIVE?

STRANGE EVIDENCE IN PERAK CASE.

Ipoh, March 3.—There was a sensational development in the case against five Indians indicted at the Assizes on a charge of the murder of a man named Munisamy, who was alleged to have been burnt to death by them.

A Crown witness said that on the night in question, about the time of the alleged murder, he was returning home and passed the accused near the scene of the crime. Near them he noticed a person lying on the ground. He inquired who that person was and was informed that it was a drunken man and the accused were waiting to carry him home.

In the course of his examination, Manikam, a motor cleaner, said that he knew the deceased. The photograph was not that of Munisamy.

Gone Back to India.

Under cross-examination K. M. Coomarasamy, a witness, surprised the court by saying that he saw Munisamy, the man alleged to have been murdered, two weeks after the murder was said to have been committed. At that time Munisamy was working at Tanjong Rambutan Estate. He was later given \$51 and requested to proceed to India. Witness believed Munisamy to be at present in India.

After hearing another witness the judge held that there was no case to go to the assessors against the first, second, third and fifth accused, who were accordingly discharged. The case against the fourth, who was accordingly discharged, will be continued. This man is alleged to have made a confession that he killed Munisamy.

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Mr. J. P. Warren (Chairman) addressing the shareholders present at the 24th ordinary yearly meeting of the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd., held yesterday in the Company's offices, gave a most satisfactory account of the year's workings. The balance, he said, at the credit of the profit and loss account was \$231,797.98 being the second highest yet shown by the Company. The herd was in good health and sales showed a substantial increase.

Supporting the Chairman were: Messrs. R. E. Coxon, T. E. Pearce, W. V. M. Koch, A. Stevenson (manager), and J. D. Thomson (acting secretary). The following shareholders were present: Messrs. C. Makeham, Jas. Bullock, W. Macfarlane, Chan Nai Pan, Chan Pun Ko, Yeung Yan and Mrs. Yung Yeung Shi.

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

The Chairman addressed the meeting as follows:—The gross profit for the year amounts to \$252,815.44, which, I think, you will admit is satisfactory in these times and reflects favourably upon the management and staff of the Company.

Increase In Sales.

It may interest you to know that our sales for the year again show an increase. The drop in exchange has affected profits to a certain extent, but as it has always been our policy to safeguard the food supply of the Colony by carrying adequate stocks of imported produce, we were able to postpone the revision of our price lists until the 1st of January.

I might here say that the cost of production and delivery of milk has gone up considerably as a result of the exchange position, about 75 per cent. of our cattle fodder being imported, whilst, our bottles, etc., are now costing us more, but owing to the very improved state of the herd and the resultant increased milk yield, to which I will refer later, we have been able to maintain the retail price of this all important commodity.

During the year we reduced the price of ice to 1 cent per lb. as a direct result of which our sales show a substantial increase and I do not know of any other city in the world where ice is procurable at such a low cost.

The Balance Sheet.

Turning to the balance sheet, you will notice that the amounts written off for depreciation are higher than last year as your Directors considered a larger percentage should be allowed in the case of ice plant and machinery, taking a conservative view of the life of same at say about 10 years. After making allowances for bad and doubtful debts and paying a bonus to the staff of 15 per cent. of their salaries, which I feel sure you will endorse in consideration of the hard work done and loyal support given, the balance at the credit of profit and loss account amounts to \$231,797.98, the second highest yet shown by the Company, to which must be added the sum of \$22,293.43, balance carried forward from last account, making a total for appropriation at this meeting of \$254,054.41. Your Directors recommend dealing with same as under, and trust that this will meet with your approval:—

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Purchase of Land.

Your Directors have to report the purchase of two strips of very desirable land with certain buildings thereon adjoining our East Point property, thus squaring it off and affording ground for future expansion. We have also secured a lease of the Peak Garage, part of which has been altered to accommodate our store, whilst the remainder has been let to Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., as a garage. These premises are found very satisfactory and of considerable convenience to Peak residents. The conditions of the purchase of our Lai-chikok property call for reclamation of the foreshore and laying down a roadway, and this work has almost been completed, thus enhancing the value of this property. It has also been considered necessary to pull down certain old buildings at the Farm and at our Main Depot in order to erect more up-to-date and commodious premises—this work is under construction. Two new cold stores are being erected at our East Point Works, which will provide a further 30,000 c.ft. of storage accommodation. Capital expenditure in connection with the various additions and improvements amounts to nearly \$200,000.

STRAITS CHINESE CHARGED.

CASE TO BE HEARD ON THURSDAY.

At Central Magistracy yesterday Mr. Boy Kwok Leung, alias Mui Kwok Leung, was remanded until Thursday afternoon charges of being in possession of 1,134 taels of prepared opium and 1,338 taels of raw opium. There was also a charge in connection with an attempt to export the drug.

It is understood that the defendant is a well-known Chinese in the Straits Settlement, being a Justice of Peace of Singapore. The hearing is fixed for Thursday at 2.15 p.m.

In addition to our arrangements for attending to the trade of Kowloon, your developments in that neighbourhood, and this will be kept in mind and arrangements made to meet the increased demand for dairy and other produce.

The Herd.

In view of the very progressive and satisfactory state of the Company's live stock, a few remarks in this connection may not be out of place.

The health of the herd throughout the year has been excellent and free from outbreaks of infectious diseases. During the absence on leave of our Veterinary Surgeon, Mr. D. L. McWhirter, B.Sc., the Veterinary side was well cared for by Major Roche-Kelly, R.A.V.S., and conditions generally have been progressive. The average yield per cow per annum has gone up from 533 gallons in 1922 to 819.7 gallons in 1929, an increase of 53.6 per cent., a no mean achievement, comparing more than favourably with that obtained from most herds in normal climes, the total average for the British Isles being about 643 gallons. This increase in yield has enabled us to maintain an almost steady rate per gallon against food-stuffs consumed in spite of a considerable increase in the cost of same—14 per cent. during the past two years. Our herd is practically being self-maintained but it is, of course, necessary to import fresh strains from time to time and a shipment of 19 head—15 cows and 4 bulls of the Ayrshire breed, arrived on January 31 from Scotland. These animals were selected from approved herds by a well-known authority on this breed, consequently good results are anticipated.

Rinderpest and Immunization.

Immunization of all young animals against rinderpest has been again carried out for the third year in succession without loss and our herd immunity now stands at 85 per cent., which, you will admit, reflects great credit on the Veterinary and Farm Staff. Alarmist rumours regarding the health of the cattle at the farm having reached the ears of the Directors, a disclaimer was at once made in the local press and from what I have just told you, you can rest assured that we have had no rinderpest at the farm. Native dairies, however, have not been so fortunate and over 100 deaths from this disease have been reported. This has naturally created a sudden increased demand for milk, unfortunately at a time when our supplies are at their lowest and we were therefore reluctantly compelled temporarily to reduce the quantity of cream supplied to our customers, which I regret caused some inconvenience to our regular clients.

Pigs.

The herd of pigs has been increased by over 120 per cent. during the year and accommodation is being made for a further increase. Much improved results are being obtained due to a change in the method of handling the breeding stock. During the year 4 boars were imported from England, 1 large white and 3 middle white.

Poultry.

A start has been made towards the establishment of a sufficient stock of an egg producing strain of poultry, pure breeds having been imported from Canada. Incubators have been used with success and a considerable increase in numbers is anticipated and a demand for the eggs is assured.

In conclusion, I would like to extend an invitation to any of our shareholders or customers who would like to visit the farm and see our live stock and the method of handling milk, etc., and I can assure them of a hearty welcome from our manager, Mr. Stevenson and his assistants.

I now beg to propose that the report and accounts as presented be adopted and passed and when this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any questions shareholders may wish to ask.

The motion having been seconded by Mr. W. Macfarlane was adopted unanimously, no questions were asked.

Other Business.

Messrs. J. P. Warren and R. E. Coxon were re-elected directors on the proposal of Mr. J. Bullock seconded by Mr. Chan Nai Pan. Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were re-elected auditors on the proposal of Mr. Makeham, seconded by Mr. Chan Nai Pan. Dividend warrants are now ready.

FATE OF WOMEN MISSIONARIES.

HOPE THAT ONE MAY BE ALIVE.

TERRIBLE CONDITION OF KIANGI.

Readers will remember the brief cable report a few days ago of the fate of three women missionaries, the N.C. Daily News gives the following particulars:—

The latest news of the three Finnish lady missionaries received in Kiukiang is in a telegram from Kian, saying that Miss Cajander had died on February 13 and Miss Hedengren was reported killed. It is feared, however, that Miss Ingman had also been killed. Reports from several quarters lead one to come to this conclusion.

The Nanchang officials, says the Kiukiang correspondent of the N.C. Daily News, have sent special men to try and get the truth of the matter, but one is afraid that, as usual, the Chinese have begun to move too late.

Troops Defeated.

Kian itself is still in critical condition; troops sent up were defeated by the Communists and their arms taken.

A launch which ventured down the river en route to Nanchang was looted by the usual ruse of some of the brigands going as passengers, and, when a certain place was reached, they in conjunction with bandits on the shore, held up the vessel, with the usual results.

Not only are these men virulent on the Kan River, but, east of the province, bordering on Chekiang, the same kind of thing is going on.

At Kuangsin-fu, the brigands entered the city and set fire to the yamen. The missionaries in residence left and went to Hukow, but there, also, there was trouble, and information was given me that a Catholic priest had to flee, and went over into Chekiang.

Why We Are Brigands.

A letter received gives a graphic, and, in some ways, an amusing account of the mentality of soldiers and brigands, but what a picture of lawlessness it conveys.

The writer says "S... I... has only one idea of soldiers, and the brigands are very near the city. The soldiers are not keen on fighting; they say 'Why should we fight? We have not got any pay for four months.' At F... I... the soldiers came an hour after the bandits had entered the city, and commenced to attack the marauders. After a while, the bandits' ammunition gave out, so they called out to the soldiers to stop fighting. They said, 'If you had money, you would not be fighting; if we had money, we would not be brigands, so we are just alike.' The soldiers thought there was reason in that, and let them depart to their mountain fastnesses, while they remained in the city 'to guard' it."

Uncultivated Lands.

In that district, there are wide stretches of land that will not be cultivated this year as the people have had to leave their lands and homes to escape the brigands. Many villages have been forced to throw in their lot with the brigands, and these have formed farmers' unions, and have been forbidden to transport grain into the city. Many wealthy country people have been forced to take refuge in the city, and the grain they left behind has been seized and distributed to the associates of the brigands.

Even the country around Kiukiang is in a state of ferment, and law and order seem to be quite a thing of the past.

A few days previously, the railway station at Ma-huei-liang was attacked by a band of bandits who tied up the railway officials, then looted and burned the station buildings. They then waited for the train to come along, but, fortunately, word was conveyed to the train that there was trouble ahead, and it returned to Kiukiang. Ma-huei-liang is a station on the Kiukiang-Nanchang main line.

The Trouble At Hukow.

There has been considerable trouble at Hukow, a rather important city on the Yangtze, situated at the mouth of the Poyang Lake. A band of local brigands took possession and burned down a considerable portion of the main business section and many people with money fled to Kuling and Kiukiang.

One could enumerate such incidents, but enough space has been taken to show the utter lawlessness which prevails, not in one section of the province only, but in the major part of once prosperous, peace-loving Kiangsi.

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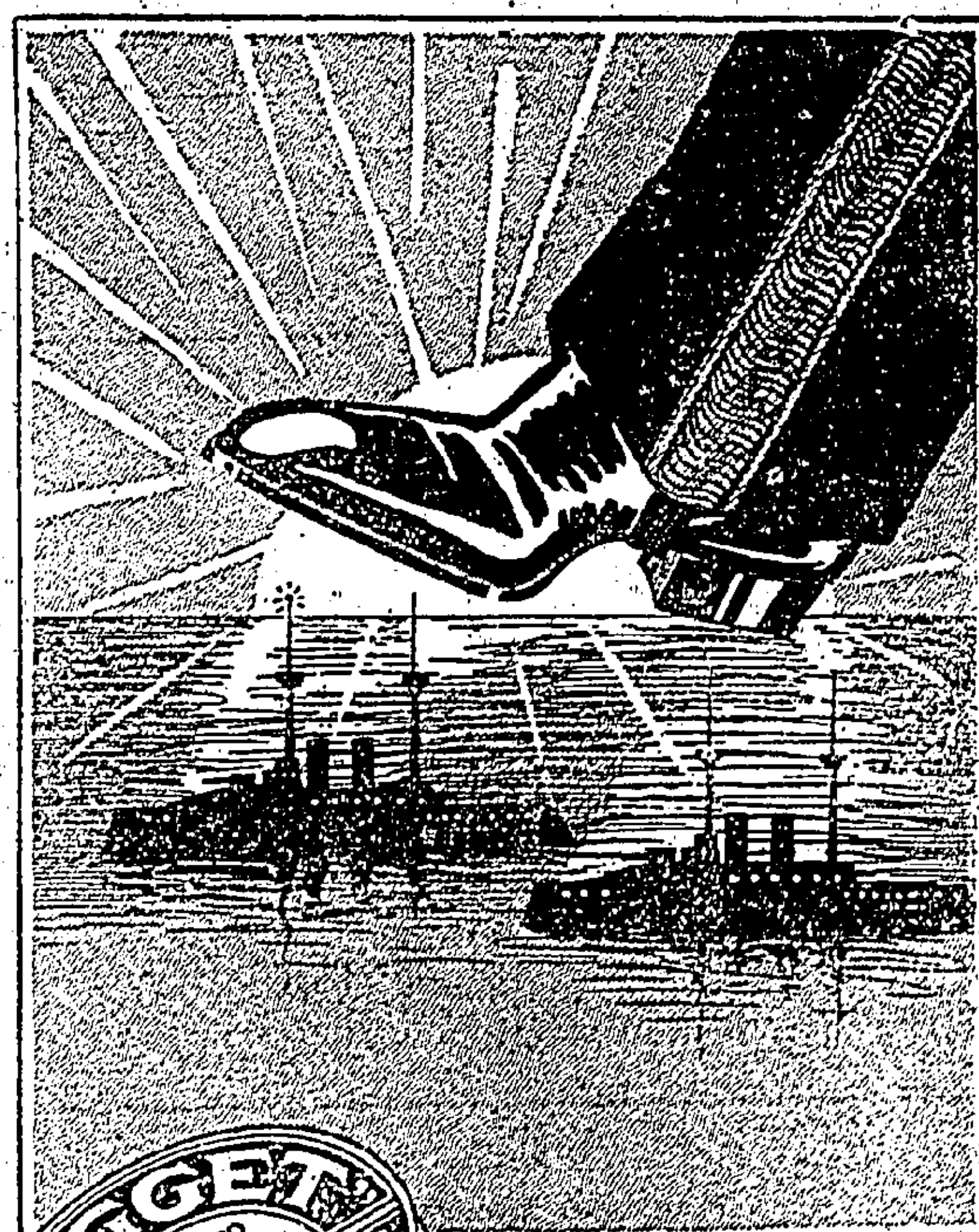
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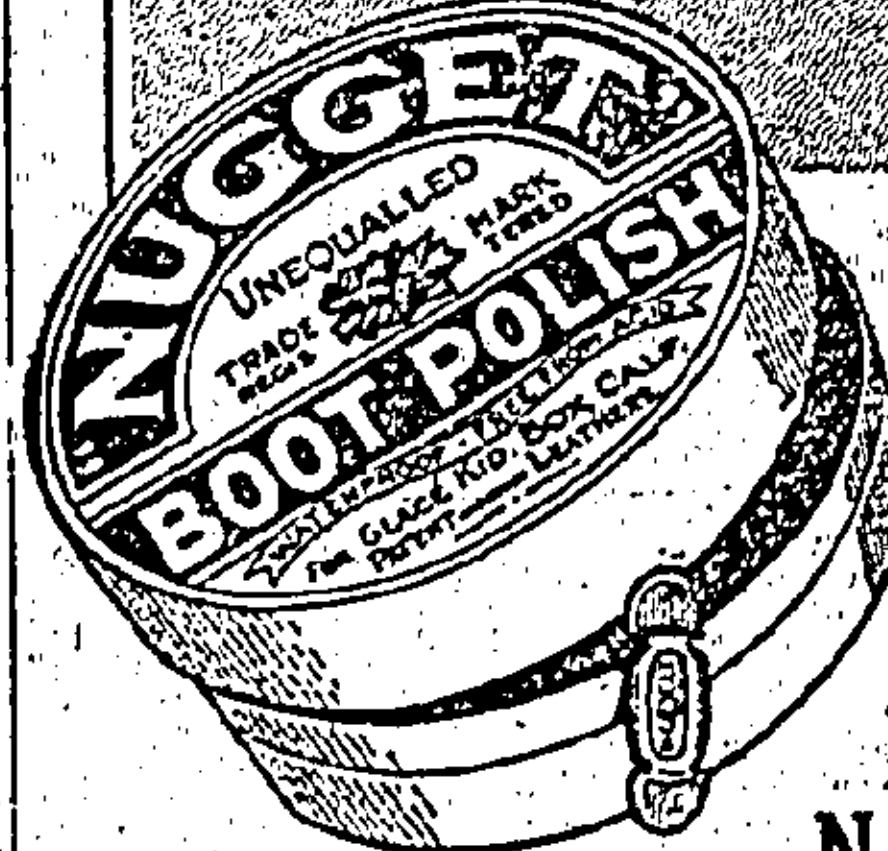
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FAREWELL TO MR.
A. H. CROOK.PRESENTATION BY BOYS
OF QUEEN'S COLLEGE.MR. F. J. de ROME TO SUCCEED
AS HEADMASTER

Although the Great Hall of Queen's College was packed with students yesterday afternoon, there was not the hum and whisper usual at such "mass gatherings." Silence, reigned supreme. The reason was that the boys were gathered together to make a presentation to the headmaster, Mr. A. H. Crook, O.B.E., M.A., F.R.G.S., on the eve of his departure for Home. All those who know Mr. Crook will understand why the masters, mistresses and boys were feeling very real regrets. As was reported in our columns last week, although Mr. Crook is officially "going on long leave," it is not at all sure whether he will return. As a mark of their appreciation and respect the boys presented Mr. Crook with a bronze incense burner inscribed:— "Mr. A. H. Crook, O.B.E., M.A., F.R.G.S., from the Pupils of Queen's College, wishing him bon voyage and a Happy Holiday with his family in the Old Country," and also a black-wood joss table bearing the inscription, "Presented to A. H. Crook, Esq., by the Pupils of Queen's College on the occasion of his leaving Hong Kong, 1930," and a black-wood tray and stand, inlaid with silver similarly inscribed.

27 Years in the Colony.

As Mr. Crook entered the Hall, all present stood up and after he had taken his place on the dais, Mr. William Kay spoke shortly on the reason of their presence there that day. The departing "Head," he said, had been in the Colony for 27 years—he was with Queen's College before most present were born, in fact before Mr. Morgan (one of the masters) was born (laughter). When Mr. Tanner retired, lots of people shook their heads and expressed the opinion that Queen's College would never again have a headmaster as popular as Mr. Tanner had been, but Mr. Crook had proved to be just as popular and if he did not come back, Q.C. would lose a very popular headmaster, and the Colony a great scholar. Mr. Crook had spared nothing in his efforts to keep the Q.C. flag flying, and he has done so, just as much as any of the past headmasters.

Mr. F. J. de Rome, for several years the *tu sen sang* at Ellis Kadoorie School, would be taking Mr. Crook's place. He was sure that under the leadership of Mr. de Rome Q.C.'s future would continue to flourish.

Head Prefect's Tribute.

Mr. Kay then asked the head prefect, V. Soenderam, to make the presentation. The head prefect addressed the gathering as follows:— "Mr. Crook—It gives me the greatest pleasure this afternoon on behalf of my fellow-students, to ask you to accept the joss-table, the tea-tray and the incense-burner, as a token of our great regard and esteem.

The presents have been subscribed for by the students of the school, and in asking you to accept them, we feel how inadequate they are to express our gratitude to you. Although they are of small value yet, if gifts are valuable according to the feelings of the givers, then we hope that you will take them home with you for the sake of the sentiments behind them.

It is difficult for us to express in words our appreciation of what you have done for us during your term of office. We realise that you have always maintained a lofty aim of education, not merely to produce efficient clerks and business men, but to realise the initiative and inspiration of Art, Literature, and Science.

Your being chosen as Hong Kong's representative at the Pan Pacific Science Congress proved your great scientific knowledge, and your winning such an honour as the O.B.E. shows your sound personal character and public worth. You have endeared yourself to us all by your never failing kindness and consideration as well as by your sympathy and cheerfulness—qualities which will make you friends wherever you go.

Our presence in the Hall this afternoon is a sufficient proof of how we feel towards you. In bidding you "bon voyage and happy holiday," we experience mingled feelings of joy and sorrow—joy because you are going home to enjoy a well-earned leave, among your people, sorrow because we will miss you during your absence. We feel, still more sad, when you say your coming back is not certain. But at any rate, we hope that you will have a very happy time at home, and that amidst the tranquil surroundings of your home, you will always remember Queen's College in which you have spent the best part of your life.

(Continued on next column.)

SALVATION ARMY IN
HONG KONG.WOMEN'S INDUSTRIAL
HOME.INTERESTING ANNOUNCE-
MENT.

The Salvation Army has been making investigations to ascertain whether or not there is need for that organisation commencing operations in this Colony, particularly in regard to women's welfare. The result of this preliminary survey has shown that there is such a need, and an officer from the Peking headquarters will be in Hong Kong before the end of this month to make the necessary arrangements for starting work in the Colony.

Officers have been already appointed to establish and work a Women's Industrial Home in Hong Kong. It is hoped to accommodate twenty Chinese young women in this Home, with some additional small accommodation for stranded European young women.

A woman officer, who has had considerable experience in North China, has been appointed to take charge of the Home, and is eminently suited for this responsibility, seeing that she is a fully qualified general and maternity nurse. A second officer is being appointed direct from England, and should arrive in the Colony shortly.

In view of the recent establishment in Hong Kong of a Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, this news of the Salvation Army's intention to commence work in the Colony comes at an auspicious moment—more especially in view of possible Court proceedings in which the future care of *mal-tent* is concerned.

Mr. Crook, on behalf of my fellow students I now ask you to accept these little presents with our deepest gratitude and our best wishes for a very pleasant voyage and a very happy holiday.

Mr. Crook's Reply.

When Mr. Crook got up to reply, he was greeted with a long, thunderous cheer, and it was some minutes before he could speak. About twenty-eight years ago, he said, when he first arrived in the Colony, he felt like taking the first boat back—in fact he would have done so had he had the money, but since then things had changed a lot, with the result that now, on the eve of his departure, it was a great wrench to him to leave. However, circumstances have made it necessary for him to go—he had arrived at the age when most Europeans cease to work, but he was not sure at all whether he would return—like the proverbial bad penny, he might turn up again when least expected! (A Voice: "Mind you do," and "Hear, hear!")

Mr. Crook said that he would treasure the lovely gifts which would always serve to remind him of Queen's College. He would always remember Q.C. and he wished to thank all present for the kind things said about him, and also for the kindness shown him during his term of office as headmaster. He wished them all good luck in every thing—in sport and in work, he hoped they would all help to keep up the fine name and reputation of Queen's College.

Another Loss to Queen's.

Another loss to Queen's, Mr. Crook continued, was that Mr. William Kay, the father of the *Yellow Dragon*, was about to leave to be headmaster of the Ellis Kadoorie School. Though he would be at another school, he felt sure Mr. Kay would always look after and support the interest of Queen's College. (Applause.)

Mr. Crook concluded by saying that Mr. de Rome, his successor, was present, and he would ask him to address them.

A Sad Day for Q.C.

Mr. de Rome said that he did not know he was expected to make a speech. It was an unfortunate day for the College, for not only were they losing Mr. Crook but Mr. Kay was leaving. It was a case of losing the "head" and "shoulders" of Queen's College and no wonder everybody was feeling so gloomy. As the Head Prefect had said Mr. Crook had given his best years to Queen's and he would ask them all to remember his name always, with affection. He thanked Messrs. Crook and Kay for the nice things they said about him. He keenly realised the responsibility that fell on the Headmaster of Queen's College, and although he knew it was hard to follow the high standard set by Mr. Crook, he would see to it that when the time came for him to hand over to somebody else, nobody would be able to say that he had let the College down.

He then wished Mr. Crook a very happy voyage and also a happy reunion with his family at home. Three hearty cheers for Mr. Crook terminated the ceremony.

ROUND THE COURTS.

GIRL THIEF SENT TO
PRISON.

Two Chinese girls appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at Central Magistracy yesterday, on charges, stealing and receiving \$1,050 belonging to their mistress, a Chinese woman living at 37, Pokfulam Road.

The younger girl, aged 14, admitted that she had picked up the money from the floor but said she had intended to put it back under the mattress. She was sentenced to four months' hard labour.

The other accused was discharged, as the only evidence against her was an allegation that she had asked the first accused to hand the money to her for safe-keeping.

CAR DRIVER'S MEMORY.

A motor-car driver gave as his reason for not answering a summons last Tuesday that he had waited in the small Court all morning. This explanation was accepted, and he next blamed his memory for failing to deposit his licence with the Traffic Department when leaving the Colony. A fine of \$5 was imposed.

FIGHT IN WOOSUNG STREET.

A number of small cases came up for hearing in the Kowloon Court before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith. One was a charge of assault brought by a fireman of the Kowloon Fire Station against a richa coolie.

According to the complainant, he was walking along Woosung Street when he saw a number of coolies fighting. He ventured near the place and was himself assaulted, his assailant being the defendant.

His Worship held that both had been involved in a fight, and he thought the fireman was as much to blame as the coolie. Both men were bound over to be of good behaviour.

CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

In charging three Chinese with cruelty to 10 pigs, the police stated that the animals were huddled in crates without any matting, and, further, that the defendants with several others who ran away were sitting on the crates. Each man was fined \$10. Another man was fined \$10, and told that matting for the crates must be material of practical use and not a mere make-believe.

APPROPRIATE PUNISHMENT
FOR BANISHÉE.

A Chinese woman who had been banished for five years in June, 1923, for an offence under the Opium Ordinance, had to answer a charge of returning too soon. She stated that she was arrested shortly after her arrival from the country, and went on to speak about her husband, who was also a banishée, but whose time had expired.

The defendant was sentenced to undergo the unexpired term of banishment, namely four months, in prison.

KOWLOON COUPLE'S
QUARREL.SISTERS OFFER IN CAUSE OF
PEACE.

The hearing of the case in which Mrs. Bertha Soares is applying for a maintenance order against her husband, Mr. J. A. Soares, was resumed before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday.

Mr. J. T. Prior was for the complainant and Mr. Leo d'Almada, Esq., was for the husband. The Magistrate remarked that Miss Soares, sister of the defendant, had approached him in chambers and offered to leave her brother's house if this would bring about a settlement of the case. His Worship remarked that he could not discuss the matter with her in Chambers and asked Mr. d'Almada for his corroboration of the offer. Mr. d'Almada replied that the sister had stated that she was quite prepared to leave if that would bring about an amicable settlement, and, further, the husband had intimated that he would welcome the wife if she came back to the home.

Mr. Whyte-Smith remarked that he did not wish to leave the impression that he had indicated that the sister was to blame, but had mentioned that complainant's advisers had said that it would be possible to settle the case if the sister left the house. His Worship added that he would hardly like to go the length in finding that there was persistent cruelty at this stage, but he did consider that Mr. d'Almada's client had come very near to desertion.

Mr. d'Almada replied that his Worship had still to hear the evidence from his side which he hoped would clear that impression from his Worship's mind.

Mr. Prior said that he would like leave to consider the offer made by the other side and the hearing was adjourned until Friday, March 21, at 2.15 p.m.

DAUGHTER OF H.K. RESIDENTS MARRIED.

MR. H. LANG AND MISS M. MACKAY.

The Rev. Eustace Jervis officiated at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on February 12, at the wedding of Mr. Hugh Lang, son of the late Mr. Hugh Lang and of Mrs. Lang, of Mingary, Worplesdon Hill, Surrey, and Miss Mayde Mackay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Mackay, of Avalon, Tadworth, Surrey, who are old residents of Hong Kong and Shanghai.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a simple dress of pearl satin, the long lines of the skirt falling from shaped godets fitting the hips at the waistline. Her train was of parchment-tinted tulle, falling in one with the veil beneath a chapel and side clusters of orange blossom. She carried a sheaf of green and white orchids and lilies of the valley, and wore a pearl bracelet.

There were four child attendants and four bridesmaids. The two little girls, Miss Hazel Mackay (sister of the bride) and Miss Ayliffe Martin (niece of the bridegroom), wore long picture frocks of apricot satin with puff sleeves, and the boys, Masters Martin (nephews of the bridegroom), were dressed in Raeburn suits of apricot satin, with chiffon frills to the short-waisted shirts. The bridesmaids, Miss Freda Ravenhill, Miss Angela Rate, Miss Maisie Robertson, and Miss Mary Pitcairn, wore long apricot silk moire dresses with skirts reaching to their shoes, and long scarf ends tied at the back as they fell from halter collars.

Halo wreaths of upstanding dark brown velvet leaves were worn, and instead of flowers they carried beaver barrel muffs. These, with the brilliant brooches, were the gifts of the bridegroom. Mrs. Mackay wore a dress and coat of sapphire blue charmeuse, with a beaver collar, and blue satin hat, and carried a bouquet of curious carnations, pale blue in shade. Master Ronald Mackay, brother of the bride, wearing Highland costume in the Clan tartan, led the procession. The service was choral.

During the ceremony the bridesmaids stood in front of the first pews and not in the aisle. In spite of the cold wind the bridal procession left St. Margaret's by the big West door, and a groomsmen, wearing his blue carnation buttonhole, escorted each bridesmaid to her car. The groomsmen were Mr. Gordon Mackay, Mr. P. Ainslie, Mr. John Barter and Mr. George Thomas, all of whom wore pale blue carnation buttonholes. Mr. Archie Wilson was best man.

The Reception.

The reception took place at the Rembrandt Hotel, where Miss Maisie Robertson was the fortunate bridesmaid who managed to catch the largest share of Miss Mackay's bridal bouquet of white and green orchids. There was an amusing scramble as the bride threw this lovely sheaf at her four tall bridesmaids, and the laughter at the old tradition that the bridesmaids would marry before the end of the year had scarcely subsided when Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Lang departed for their honeymoon tour in Paris, Switzerland and Kenya. Previous to their going Mr. Sydney Mayers proposed the health of the bride and bridegroom in very happy vein, and the bridegroom responded, proposing the health of the bridesmaids.

25 YEARS WITH THE
Y.M.C.A.PRESENTATION TO MR. J. L.
MCIPHERSON.

The staff of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. gave a party yesterday in honour of Mr. J. L. McPherson on the occasion of his twenty-fifth anniversary as General Secretary. In making the presentation of a beautiful lacquered desk set, Mr. T. Moffat emphasised that Mr. McPherson has throughout these years shown the deepest understanding and sympathy towards the young men and boys in the Colony, encouraging among them healthy recreation, team work, responsibility and excellent *esprit de corps*, for all of which the members and staff will always hold him in grateful memory.

Mr. McPherson responded in a brief speech assuring the staff that he feels very appreciative not only of the exquisite gift but also of the sense of gratefulness evinced among those he works, and that he finds it a source of unending pleasure to continue to associate himself with the aims and objects of the Chinese Y.M.C.A.

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS.

Mr. William Robert Greenhalgh, accountant, 11, Carnarvon Buildings, Kowloon, to Miss Doris Diana Farrow, 107, The Peak, Hong Kong.

Mr. William John Holt, Naval Yard, Hong Kong, to Miss Alison Marjorie Rosalie Jennings, Riccarton House, Christchurch, New Zealand, en route by a.s. Changtse. (Continued at foot of next column.)

The Guests.

Some four hundred guests attended the reception, among whom were:—

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Mr. and Mrs. Warren Hudson, Major and Mrs. Lang, Mrs. Gordon Mackay, Mrs. Hugh Lang, Mrs. Levers, Mr. H. F. Bell, Mr. Frank Smith, Lieut.-Commander and Mrs. Marice Blood, Miss Olivia Blood, Mr. and Mrs. Lee, Miss Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Holland, Mr. and Mrs. Bailey, Mrs. Boyd Anderson, Mrs. Harold Foster, Miss Henderson, Mrs. and Miss Norris, Miss Vise, Mrs. Hops Murray, Mr. and Mrs. Stitt, General and Mrs. Ravenhill, Miss Devenish, Miss Seymour, Mr. and Mrs. Guibara, Mrs. Howell, Mrs. de Saumarez, Mrs. Eckford, Mrs. Mortlock, Mrs. Chandler, Miss Chandler, Miss Ferguson, Misses McNeil, Miss Miller, Mrs. and Miss Compton.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. Smith, Mrs. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Mayers, Mrs. Burkill, Mrs. Bennett Stewart, Mrs. de Quincey, Mr. and Mrs. Swire, Mrs. J. E. Swire, Mr. Edward Tondher, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jackson, Captain and Mrs. Bevis Bond, Mrs. Perry, Mrs. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. Platt, Mrs. N. McNeil, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Adams, Mrs. Goffrey Hicks, Mrs. Ronald Stevenson, Captain Ferguson, Mrs. Probst, Mrs. Rupert Lubbock.

Mrs. Lovegrove, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Sims, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Beaumont, Mrs. Dean, Miss J. Dean, Mrs. Morgan Dean, Miss Rosario Scrope, Mrs. Halliday, Mrs. Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Nigel Holden, Mr. Ketteridge, and Colonel and Mrs. Harvey.

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- For the following purposes:—
- To receive the Report of the Committee and Statement of Accounts for the past year.
 - To elect the Officers, and Committee for the ensuing year.
 - To consider the manner in which St. George's Day shall be celebrated.
 - To transact any other business of which due Notice has been given.

S. T. BUTLIN,
Hon. Secretary.
[9169]

HONG KONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE SECOND YEARLY DRAWING of 20 DEBENTURES (1928 Issue—\$500 Each) of the HONG KONG CLUB, Payable on TUESDAY, the 30th SEPTEMBER, 1930, will be held in the CLUB HOUSE at 11 O'CLOCK, A.M., on THURSDAY, the 20th MARCH, 1930.

Members of Debentures are invited to attend the Drawing.

By Order,
T. A. ROBERTSON
Liaison Col.
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 11th Mar., 1930. [9148]

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held on SATURDAY, the 15th DAY of MARCH, 1930, at the BOARD ROOM of the Company, Second Floor, Exchange Building, Hong Kong, at 11 O'CLOCK, a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors, for the Financial Year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1929, and re-electing Two Directors and the Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th MARCH, to the 15th MARCH, 1930, Both Days inclusive.

Dated this 17th day of February, 1930.
By Order of the Board,
W. L. MCKENZIE,
Secretary.
14, Des Voeux Road Central,
Hong Kong. [9103]

HONG KONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of HONG KONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED, will be held at the Office of Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 18th DAY of MARCH, 1930, at 12 O'CLOCK NOON, to transact the Ordinary Business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 4th to TUESDAY, the 18th MARCH, 1930, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 24th Feb., 1930. [9067]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 41st ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, St. George's Building, CHATELAIN ROAD, Victoria, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 19th DAY of MARCH, 1930, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1929.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 7th MARCH, 1930, to WEDNESDAY, 19th MARCH, 1930, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 20th Feb., 1930. [9066]

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTY-FIRST ORDINARY SHAREHOLDERS MEETING will be held at the Office of the Undersigned on WEDNESDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1930, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended the 31st DECEMBER, 1929.

THE SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 26th MARCH, 1930, Both Days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers,
The Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.,
Hong Kong, 5th Mar., 1930. [9106]

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th MARCH, 1930, to the 26th MARCH, 1930 (Both Days inclusive), during which Period No Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board,
LOOK POONG SHAN,
Chief Manager,
Hong Kong, 10th Mar., 1930. [9143]

HONG KONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

Final of the Triangular Rugby Tournament.

CLUB v. THE NAVY.

This game will be played on the Club Ground on

SATURDAY, 15th MARCH, 1930.

Kick off—3.30 P.M.

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W. PRYDE,
Hon. Secretary,
[9183]

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KWANTUNG—MARCH 16th.

FIRST RACE, 3.00 P.M.

SPECIAL TRAIN LEAVES KOW-LOON 1.50 P.M. Returning from FAN LING 5.55 P.M. FARE: \$2.00 FOR ROUND TRIP, including AD-MISSION to the RACES. [9144]

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WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.20 p.m., stated:—

The depressions are moving eastward and are now central over N. Korea and to the N.E. of Tokyo. A feeble anticyclone remains central over the Upper Yangtze Valley.

Local Forecast:—E. winds; moderate; fair.

BIRTHS.

Cook.—On March 4, at Leigh-on-Sea, Essex, to Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Cook, twin daughters.
Davies.—On March 7, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. B. A. DAVIES, a son.
Edwards.—On March 9, at the Paulin Hospital, Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. Einar Edwards, a son.

MARRIAGES.

HARONOVES—BAILEY.—On March 8, at Shanghai, CLIFFORD, son of Mrs. HARONOVES, of Accrington, Lancs., and the late Mr. ALBERT HARONOVES, of FLORE, Dorset, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT BAILEY, of Shanghai.
LANG—MACKAY.—On February 19, at St. Margaret's, Westminster, HUGH LANG, of Mingary, Worplesdon Hill, to Mayday, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. MACKAY, of Tadworth.

DEATHS.

AQUINO SOUZA.—On March 7, at the Paulin Hospital, Shanghai, FLORESTA (MINNIE) DOMINGOS D'AQUINO SOUZA, aged 35.
LOUREIRO.—On March 9, at 5 Yulin Road, Shanghai, JOSEPH EDWARD WILDE LOUREIRO (TEDDIE), aged 55 years, late Russo-Asiatic Bank, beloved husband of FLORESTA LOUREIRO and youngest son of the late PEDRO LOUREIRO and Mrs. JESSIE NOVAES (Lisbon, Portugal).
NEWARD.—On March 9, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, HAROLD FREDERICK NEWARD, aged 52.
PORTALIA.—On March 9, at the General Hospital, Shanghai, VICENTE PAULO PORTALIA, aged 75.
WILSON.—On March 3, at St. Mary's Hospital, Shanghai, J. B. WILSON.

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The Daily Press.

Hong Kong, March 15, 1930.

PRAYERS, POLITICS, AND PROPAGANDA.

THERE is much confusion existing in regard to the place of religion in the conduct of British public affairs. About 250 years ago it was laid down by Lord Chief Justice Holt that Christianity being parcel of the laws of England, to speak in reproach of that religion was to speak in subversion of the law. Until less than fifty years ago that ruling stood, when Lord COLERIDGE upset it completely and his decision has since been endorsed by the House of Lords. COLERIDGE declared it was no longer true that Christianity was part of the law of the land, and even the very fundamentals of religion might be attacked without a person being guilty of blasphemy. This ruling was handed down in 1883, but the Blasphemy Laws still remained on the statute-book and were occasionally brought into operation. A few weeks ago the House of Commons passed the second reading of a Bill providing that no criminal proceedings shall be instituted in any Court against any person for schism, heresy, blasphemy, blasphemous libel, or atheism. Until this Bill becomes law, the Bishop of Birmingham and many others run the risk of being put behind prison-bars for three years. A clergyman who is also an M.P. pointed out during the debate that had the existing law been applied in any other than a class-bias spirit BERNARD SHAW and H. G. WELLS among a host of others would be wearing broad-arrow suits for their blasphemies! The fact that the second reading of the Bill was passed by a substantial majority—which included many very earnest and active Christian workers—shows that Parliament is more tolerant and intellectually honest than it was a couple of generations ago.

News and Views.

One case of small-pox and one of diphtheria were reported on Thursday.

Commencing Saturday, March 16, 1930, the Royal Observatory weather reports broadcast from Z.B.W. will be announced at 1.30 p.m. and 8.30 p.m. daily.

There will be a ballad concert at the Helena May Institute on Thursday, March 20, at 5.30 p.m. Items by Mrs. K. V. B. Benfield, Mrs. G. Tinson, Mrs. R. Sanger, Mrs. C. Womack, Mr. R. A. Green, Miss Acheson, Mrs. A. R. H. Phillips, and Mrs. F. Mason. Tickets 50 cents, members 30 cents, soldiers and sailors in uniform and children half price. Tea must be looked in advance.

The Canton Government has received instructions from Nanking not to allow manuscripts of Dr. Sun Yat Sen which are of historical value, to be sold to foreigners. Any one disobeying this order will be severely dealt with.

Two Chinese women were attacked yesterday by a man armed with a pair of scissors. They received several injuries and had to be sent to the Kowloon Hospital. The incident occurred at Yau-mat, and the assailant's state of mind is being investigated by the authorities.

Capt. A. Torrible, one of the most popular of the Yangtze skippers, retired recently from Butterfield & Swire's after 23 years' service, 22 of them in command. Capt. and Mrs. Torrible left Shanghai for Victoria, B. C., where they will reside, last week, by the Empress of Asia.

Reports from Harbin state that Mr. C. F. Garstin who has assumed office as H.M. Consul General, in a press interview stressed the fact that the raising by the British Government of the Harbin Consulate General is a proof that Manchuria is now regarded as an important trade centre.

A fishing junk master reports to the Water Police Station, Kowloon, that on March 8, whilst off Li Man Island, in Chinese waters, he encountered very heavy weather and his junk capsized. The thirty-two people on board were thrown into the sea and the junk sank. Twenty-two were picked up later by a passing junk, but the fate of the other ten are not known. The master thinks that they are drifting on a large piece of wood which they managed to get hold of.

H.M.S. Vindictive, Capt. C. G. Stuart, D.S.O., D.S.C., has left Chatham for the China Station with new half-crews for 19 gunboats. She left Plymouth on March 5, and her subsequent programme is: Malta, March 15-18; Port Said, March 19-22; Suez, March 23; Aden, March 23-26; Colombo, April 5-10; Singapore, April 15-18; and Hong Kong, April 23. The Vindictive was commissioned for this new service at Chatham on February 18.

Extracts published in fleet orders from the quarterly returns of signalling practices between H.M. ships and merchant vessels show that a total of 1,322 successful exercises were carried out during the quarter ended September 30, 1929, as compared with 1,222 for the previous quarter. There were only five failures to establish communication. The ship *Clematis*, in the Red Sea, came first in order of merit, with 84 exercises. The cruiser *Cleopatra* and *Concord* trooping to China, were next, with 79 and 72 exercises respectively. The Fourth Flotilla, Mediterranean Fleet, and the cruiser *Cambrian* trooping to China, each had 71. On the merchant side vessels of the British Tanker Co. came first with 107 exercises, and the P. and O. ships second with 106. Ellerman Lines, Ltd., had 74, and the British India Co. 73.

Action Against "G.B.S."

Mr. G. D. Eaton, editor of the American magazine *Plain Talk*, has announced that he is bringing an action against Mr. Bernard Shaw because Mr. Shaw's objections to the publication of certain of his personal letters has caused the magazine to lose \$45 an hour for as yet an undetermined number of hours. Letters were written to Mr. Bernard Shaw's European agent, Siegfried Trebitsch, of Vienna, about thirty years ago. Some have been published in *Plain Talk*, and the rest were to appear in the March issue. According to a statement by Mr. Eaton, Mr. Bernard Shaw cabled to his American lawyers giving instructions that *Plain Talk* should be restrained from publishing the remaining letters. When Mr. Eaton was informed of this he ordered a printer to stop the impression of the March number. Later, however, he gave instructions that the presses should be started again, but meanwhile the stoppage, it is alleged, had cost \$45 an hour.

"Irresponsible" Slaying.

A more curious murder trial than that of Joseph Philipponet has seldom been heard in the Seine Assize Court. Despite the prisoner's admission that he knew what he was doing when he killed Mr. Bayle, the chief scientific investigator of the Paris Courts, and despite the medical evidence of his responsibility, counsel pleaded for his acquittal on the grounds that he could not be held responsible for the crime. Previous to this there was a procession of witnesses, all of whom had come forward voluntarily to testify on Philipponet's behalf. Each was dismissed by the Judge after he had shown that he knew nothing at all about the case. A retired Civil servant made terrible accusations against the victim, suggesting that he had poisoned his first wife and that he had lived by corruption. He was told unceremoniously to make himself scarce. A dentist, who seemed to be there merely to advertise the fact that he could draw teeth painlessly, suffered the same ignominious treatment, as did also several others who wished to air private grievances, and who took this opportunity to do so.

The cruiser *Cumberland*, Capt. L. F. Potter, left Chatham on March 8 for the China Station after being refitted. The Royal Marine contingent of the ship on her new commission will be under Capt. S. A. Field, who was present at Jutland, and was in the *Centaur* when she was mined in the Bight in June, 1918. He was landed at Smyrna as Consul General in 1919 when the Greek Army occupied the place.

Mr. Popsy in Hong Kong.

This day to office and then betimes to my wide-merchants, Caldebeck, where Mr. Oliver might be found. And I do speak with him about a certain strong water that Jonas Shish, a master shipwright late out of Plymouth town, do tell me he drank there to his mighty content. And I do find its name be called gynae, whereof I do order me a hoggeshead, as I find it right comforting to the stomach these cold nights. And I do prick Mr. Oliver that he do send a piece of claret for the poor thirsty actors who do rehearse my play. But much I fear they quench not their thirst in this way. And while there, I do meet Mr. Marriott, who do act Caesar in my play, and as Mr. Povy do tell me do act the part marvellous well, and in the drinking scene as lifelike as ever anyone saw, so I do congratulate him heartily, and he mightily pleased and do bring out some curious sherry sack they do keep. And very merry we were. And to luncheon at the Club where all in a fine pother over the dues which men say must grow more. But while our gettings be less and our outgoings be more, Lord! but how shall a man fare? So melancholy back to the office, and later home where I did even my accounts. But I doubt I am a worse man than last year, which is a sorry case. And so to bed.

The Dwindled Dollar.

We note that the *South China Morning Post* joins issue with us on the question of stabilising the dollar, contending that Hong Kong currency should be put on a gold basis. No suggestion is offered as to how this is to be done, or what it would cost. We are told that the many and large interests settled and operating wholly in the Colony have been disastrously hit by the fall in exchange, and for them it is argued there is only one remedy—a stabilised dollar. "These dealing mainly with imports and exports to and from China can have no great concern either way; their hopes lie in China," but for others a stabilised dollar is essential. It would be interesting to set out in parallel the comparative interests of those in the Colony engaged in import and export trade with China, and of those whose interests are wholly within and within the Colony. Possibly the Government may consider it worth while making an impartial investigation into the subject, which is certainly of very great importance. In the event of such an inquiry being held, we would suggest that any resident in the Colony having evidence to submit be invited to supply facts and figures for examination. That the Colony has been hard-hit is generally admitted; the only point at issue is whether anything can be done to alter matters. Some think it possible, others disagree; a public and independent investigation at which the question can be argued from all points of view would be most opportune, and possibly would show who is in the right.

Looking Back 25 Years.

Mr. H. A. Lammert, junior partner of the well-known firm of auctioneers, was married yesterday morning at St. John's Cathedral to Miss Florence Shaw, daughter of Mr. A. Shaw, manager of the Hong Kong Cotton Spinning Weaving & Dyeing Co. The wedding has been postponed owing to the bridegroom being down with influenza. Mr. Harold Seth was groomsmen, and Miss Ethel Shaw bridesmaid. The bride wore a white satin dress, trimmed with flowered chiffon, and displayed no jewellery except the bridegroom's present, a diamond and emerald ring. Mr. and Mrs. Lammert were driven to Mr. Shaw's house in a brougham. After the reception, at which a splendid collection of wedding presents was exhibited, they left for Macao. *Hong Kong Daily Press*, March 15, 1905.

Looking Back 50 Years.

"Sir, I see in your to-day's issue that you have given credit for the Indian subscription (to the Irish relief fund) to Mr. Mody, broker, and Mr. Mehta. Now to correct this erroneous impression, and to give credit to whom it is due, I take the liberty to state that it is entirely due to Mr. T. Jackson's exertions that the list has been worked up to such a decent figure. Mr. Jackson visited on Saturday last almost all the Indian firms and houses from Messrs. N. Mody & Co., who headed the list, down to the small fry who keep their stores, and used his good influence to promote this subscription. And it being left to the above two members it would surely have resulted in a total failure, for a reason best known to Indians. Knowing this beforehand, they got Mr. Jackson to go with them, and therefore entire credit must be given to the latter gentleman.—Yours etc., Indian Subscribers."—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, March 16, 1930.

NAVAL CONFERENCE

PREMIER STILL CONFIDENT.

ATTEMPT AT FRANCO-ITALIAN RAPPROCHMENT

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 13. There were many private talks between the heads of the naval delegations to-day, and the atmosphere this afternoon was slightly more optimistic. The British spokesman admitted that the situation was difficult and said that those conversant with international conferences did not share the pessimism of certain sections of the Press.

A French delegate told Reuters this afternoon that the political discussions had not ended, but those conversant with international conferences did not share the pessimism of certain sections of the Press.

There were intensive conversations to-day, as the result of which Mr. Ramsay MacDonald stated that he was "greatly encouraged." It is understood that he directed his efforts to effect a French and Italian rapprochement to reconcile Mr. Briand's demand that Italy should submit a concrete percentage figure with the Italian attitude, insisting on parity with France without specifying a programme.

The French Viewpoint.

PARIS, March 13. The diplomatic correspondent of the Havas Agency, in elucidating the present situation in regard to the Naval Conference, says that owing to Great Britain and the United States having refused to subscribe to the security pact, France is unable to reduce her means of naval defence below that which she considers to be the necessary level; that no Japanese and American agreement is yet in sight; that Italy confines herself to a demand of parity with France; that the United States and Japan equally oppose a three-party agreement and that Mr. MacDonald has not succeeded in persuading the Foreign Minister, Signor Grandi, to produce figures indicating Italy's needs.

Signor Grandi's refusal is attributed to the fact that Italy obtained a theoretical parity with France for light vessels and submarines at the Washington Conference, (without having actually attained parity), and the delegation are afraid to weaken their position by continuing the discussion on a technical basis.

The correspondent says that Mr. MacDonald finally told Signor Grandi yesterday after consulting with the Admiral's experts that the British would not support the Italian demand for parity.

Situation Still Grave.

LONDON, March 13. The position of the Naval Conference last night was that the difficulties were still very grave, but as a result of the day's conversations these appeared less formidable than in the morning.

Great importance is attached to the return of M. Tardieu tomorrow, when he will confer with Mr. Ramsay MacDonald.

FRENCH FLYING TRAGEDY.

AIRMAN'S BODIES FOUND IN BELGIAN CONGO.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

BRUSSELS, March 14. The bodies of the French aviators Roux, Cailliet, and Dodefont, who disappeared while returning to France in January after a successful flight to Madagascar, have been found with the aeroplane in the Kasai Forest in the Belgian Congo.

INTERNATIONAL LAW

CODES.

IMPORTANT CONFERENCE AT GENEVA.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

THE HAGUE, March 13. The conference for the codification of international law opened to-day, 43 States being represented by 400 delegates. The Soviet sent an observer.

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VOTE OF CENSURE

DEFEATED.

MR. SNOWDEN REPLIES TO CRITICS.

"A DELIBERATE CONSPIRACY."

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 13. In the House of Commons yesterday, in moving a vote of censure of the Government, Mr. Stanley Baldwin urged that the depressed industries needed a tariff stimulus. Moreover, unless something could be constructed aiming at the economic unity of the Empire, there was risk of the Imperial threads breaking. He concluded by saying that the Government might win to-night but, as the rain washed away the corn laws, so unemployment would wash away this Government.

Ambiguity Denied. Mr. Philip Snowden declared the "deliberate conspiracy" to discredit the Government, and denied that there was any ambiguity about the Government's intentions, which were, firstly, not to consider a further application for safeguarding; secondly, that the existing duties would expire on the appointed day, and thirdly, that the Budget policy would be declared at the right time, not before, for fifty votes of censure.

Vote Defeated. The Conservative vote of censure was defeated by 308 votes to 235.

GOVERNMENT LOAN.

RECENT SUCCESSFUL ISSUE.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 13. In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Philip Snowden, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, announced the result of the 44 per cent. Conversion Loan floated recently.

The total issued for cash was £28,800,000, while £23,000,000 had been issued in exchange for five and a half per cent. Treasury Bonds. He regarded this as most satisfactory.

DR. COOK FREE FROM

PRISON.

"I DID REACH THE NORTH POLE."

[UNITED PRESS.]

NEW YORK, March 9. Dr. Frederick A. Cook, just released from the federal penitentiary at Washington through a parole action terminating more than five years' imprisonment for use of the mails in a fraudulent oil scheme, met Press representatives at a downtown hotel here to-day and said that he is financially "broke."

The man whose claims to have reached the North Pole first were subsequently discredited by the man who actually got there told the reporters that he is prepared to make a new start in life.

He will depart for Chicago where he is to live with a friend, Dr. F. P. Thompson, and devote his time to scientific research. He expects to utilize his observations into the psychology and pathology of his erstwhile fellow-prisoners at Leavenworth.

Dr. Cook also plans a speaking tour in Europe, in which he will discuss the question of whether he ever reached the North Pole as he still declares he did.

Mentioning the ill-fated Arctic expedition which resulted in the disappearance of Raold Amundsen while searching for Nobile and his party, Dr. Cook said:

"I feel there is no assurance that Amundsen is not still alive. Indeed, I think there is ample room for hope that he is still alive and will survive."

"If he landed from his searching aeroplane, flight in north-eastern Greenland he would not find human life. He would, however, find musk oxen and seals. Amundsen knows how to survive almost indefinitely in that country."

"Observations by Admiral Richard E. Byrd and by Amundsen in the North verify again the reports I made of what I found. The North Pole I believed that I located with my instruments may have been some miles from the actual pole. There will, however, never be absolute proof of attainment to the Pole."

"I only wish to send those who doubt me back to the records I left and those that Admiral Robert E. Peary left."

Gray-Haired But Active. Dr. Cook is "gray-haired and worn but he seems in good health. Warden T. B. White of the penitentiary at foot of next column."

OIL TRUCE ENDS.

PRICE-CUTTING WAR STARTS.

SHELL & SOCONY.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, March 13. Another petrol price war between the world's leading companies is probable. The old argument over the supply of Russian oil has again brought the Standard Oil Company of New York and the Royal Dutch-Shell interests into conflict.

The trouble arose, it is reported, as a result of a new contract made by the Standard Oil Company for the purchase of a million tons of refined petroleum products from the Soviet Naphtha Syndicate.

The new contract is said to cover a period of five years, and to involve a total of G.\$3,000,000.

According to oil circles in New York, the truce which ended hostilities between the companies in 1929 has been definitely broken.

GANDHI'S MARCH

CONTINUES.

VILLAGE HEADMEN AND POLICE RESIGN.

THE ARREST OF MAYOR OF CALCUTTA.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

AHMEDABAD, March 14. Gandhi and his followers at six o'clock in the morning left Nawangan and reached Vasma, where they are halting until this afternoon. The party will spend the night at Vasma, addressing journalists. This morning Gandhi appealed to them to be patriotic and support the country's cause.

Speaking to villagers at Nawangan last night Gandhi congratulated eight headmen who have resigned their posts as a protest against Vallabhai Patel's imprisonment and exhorted the villagers to manufacture and wear khaddar (homespun) and to volunteer as civil disobedience workers.

Gandhi's exhortations resulted in the resignations of police and headmen of the villages of Vasma and Mahabal. The villagers vowed in the presence of Gandhi not to fill the vacancies.

"Fair Name of Bengal." CALCUTTA, March 14. Large crowds gathered to witness the departure under arrest of Sengupta, the Mayor of Calcutta, to Rangoon. A motor-car procession accompanied him to the outskirts of Rangpur where he embarked aboard a ship for Burma. Sengupta was profusely garlanded, and his forehead was painted with vermilion marks for the occasion of to-day's Hindu festival.

Sengupta, in a parting message, said: "Dissolve the present Bengal Executive and form one whose members believe in Gandhi's leadership, and will not let the fair name of Bengal be sullied."

"A War Council" in Poona. POONA, March 14. "A war council" of eleven members has been appointed to organize passive resistance in the Poona district. A hundred volunteers have enrolled, and have resolved to march to a suburb of Bombay on the sea coast to manufacture salt.

NEW YORK SCANDAL.

MAGISTRATE REMOVED FROM BENCH.

A LOAN FROM DRUG "KING."

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, March 13. One of the most sensational scandals in the New York public service has culminated in the Appeal Division of the State Supreme Court ordering the removal from the City Magistrate's bench of Mr. A. H. Vitale, for borrowing \$20,000 from the notorious gambler and drug-ring "king" Arnold Rothstein, whose murder a year ago the New York police have not yet cleared up.

Arrest of a Mayor. The Mayor of Atlantic City, Mr. Anthony M. Ruffi, has been arrested on fourteen charges arising out of the recent investigation into the alleged conditions of vice prevailing there.

U.S. MAIL CONTRACT. WASHINGTON, March 13. The Post Master General has awarded the contract for carrying mails between New York and Southampton to the United States Lines Incorporated.

The contract requires the construction of two vessels, costing at least \$60,000,000, equal in size and speed to any vessel at present operating the trans-Atlantic service.

NEW PLANET DISCOVERED.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

CAMBRIDGE (MASS.), March 13. Professor Harlow Shapley, Director of Harvard University Observatory, has announced that the Lowell Observatory at Flagstaff, Arizona, has discovered a new planet, which is situated beyond Neptune.

The new planet is larger than the earth, but smaller than Uranus.

FEDERAL BANK RATE

REDUCED.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, March 13. The Federal Reserve Bank has reduced the rediscount rate from 4 to 3½ per cent.

tentary reported him to be a kindly patient man, who was good to the sick and suffering. He won for himself the name of "Smiling Doc" in the prison where he went under sentence of 14 years' nine months for misuse of the mails.

Years before he was sentenced and before the North Pole triumph and subsequent scandal, Dr. Cook was discredited for a false account of Mount McKinley.

The air of martyrdom which he assumed when he first entered the penitentiary gradually disappeared. He was simply one of the inmates with thousands of others. Liberties taken from the prison population after trouble or riots were taken from him also.

Dr. Cook's literary and explorative bent was exhausted by writing of the advantages of a polar bear farm which he conceived. He edited the prison paper in addition to duties in the infirmary.

KWANGSI CAMPAIGN.

RUMOURED REVERSE FOR CANTONESE.

CHIANG SENDING REINFORCEMENTS.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

According to an unconfirmed report from Wuchow, fighting has broken out between Mongkian and Pingnan on the West River, and river traffic has been held up. The Cantonese troops are reported to have suffered a reverse. No particulars are available.

Rumours are current in Wuchow that Chiang Kai Shek is dispatching Ho Ying Ching, his right-hand man and a division under Chiang Ting Wen to assist the Cantonese. A Canton report says that 300,000 rounds of ammunition, assigned to the Nanking contingent in Kwangsi by Chiang Kai Shek, arrived in Canton by a China Merchants' boat on Thursday, and have been taken to Kwangsi by gunboat.

Hunan's Intermittent Loyalty. According to a Chinese telegram from Nanking, Chiang Kai Shek recently sent Liu Wen Tao, the Mayor of Hankow, to Changsha to urge Ho Chien, the Hunan Governor, to attack Kwangsi. It will be remembered that the Hunan Governor received a large sum of money from Nanking on condition that his troops would invade Kwangsi some time ago, and he declared that he would capture Kweilin in ten days.

When Yen Hsi Shan and other anti-Nanking leaders declared against Nanking, Ho gave orders to his troops in the southern border of Hunan to put off the attack upon Kwangsi. Now that the anti-Nanking movement has failed, Ho has again declared his loyalty to Nanking, and announced that his troops are pressing upon Kweilin.

A wire has been received in Nanking from Liu that Ho has dispatched three divisions of the Hunan troops to attack Kwangsi.

MORE RUMOURS OF PEACE. [FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, March 14. In spite of the present preparations by the Canton Higher Command for the capture of Sunchow and Kweishien on the upper reaches of the West River, there are still rumours of peace between the warring factions in Kwangsi, and it is reported that Canton has again proposed peace to the Kwangsi "Ironside" coalition.

MANCHU STATESMAN AND CANTON. MOST PROGRESSIVE CITY IN CHINA. [FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, March 14. Mr. Sun Po Chi, former Premier during the last days of the Manchurian dynasty, who came to Canton a week ago on a visit, will leave here tomorrow for Hong Kong on his way back to Shanghai. The distinguished visitor has been lavishly entertained by General Chen Ming Shu and other high officials of the Canton regime. He is well-known in foreign diplomatic circles.

In an interview with local pressmen, Mr. Sun said that this was the first time he had been in Canton, and he was greatly impressed by the material progress and modernity of the city. "This is the most progressive and up-to-date city in whole of China," he said.

UPPER YANGTZE PILOTS' STRIKE.

LIKELIHOOD OF SETTLEMENT.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

There is a likelihood of the strike of Upper Yangtze pilots being settled by the firms conceding to the principal demands as regards payment.

KAYE DON AT DAYTONA BEACH. "SILVER BULLET" TRIALS. [THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

DAYTONA BEACH, March 14. Talkie cinematographers from all parts of the country are crowding the famous racing beach for the film christening ceremony of Mr. Kaye Don's giant car the "Silver Bullet" to-day by Don's sister, Mrs. Rita Liversay, after which a preliminary test will be run off immediately.

Mr. Kaye Don has not yet driven the car a foot, and intends to limit the speed to 140 miles per hour, preparatory to his attempt on the world record when the tide on the beach is suitable which will probably be early next week.

Mr. Kaye Don is very satisfied with the mechanical perfection of the car which is theoretically capable of 250 to 300 miles per hour, and declares: "My only concern now is a perfect beach."

NEW BRAZILIAN

PRESIDENT.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

RIO DE JANEIRO, March 14. Senor Julio Prestes has been elected President.

IN THE NORTH.

ANOTHER KUOMINCHUN OFFENSIVE?

WARLORDS PLEDGE SUPPORT FOR YEN.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

PEKING, March 14. Reports from Taiyuanfu state that all the Shanxi Generals who had gone to Taiyuanfu for a conference with Yen Hsi Shan have returned to their commands, and it is feared that hostilities may break out shortly, as Shih Yu San continues to march northward, and Nanking troops continue to arrive in Taiyuanfu. A further 1,500 arrived there yesterday.

Shih Yu San is advancing from Chengchow to Hebei, while the Kuominchun forces are advancing from Tangkwan to Chengchow. It is anticipated as Taiyuanfu that they intend to occupy Chengchow, thus forcing Shih Yu San's hand.

Lu Chueh Lin and other Kuominchun Generals have telegraphed Yen Hsi Shan expressing astonishment at his resignation, and urging him to remain and to strive night and day for the party and the nation, pledging their support to the end.

Yen to Carry On. (Wah Ts: Yut Pao.)

PEKING, March 14. A military conference of Commanders of the Shanxi troops and representatives of the various anti-Nanking troops was recently held at Taiyuan, when it was decided to support Yen Hsi Shan in organising a provisional government in Taiyuan or Peking. It was also resolved to unite all anti-Nanking troops in order to declare war against the Nanking forces.

Yen Hsi Shan, in view of the determination of his troops, has decided to cancel his intention to leave China. The report that Yen is ready to go abroad is denied in Taiyuan.

The Shanxi Generals have requested Yen to proceed to Shih-chiuchang to "encourage the troops."

BELGIAN CONCESSION IN TIENSIN. TO BE HANDED BACK. [THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

NANKING, March 14. The agreement in regard to the return of the Belgian Concession at Tientsin has been approved by the Belgian Government, and the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs has been notified to make arrangements for the return of the concession to China.

DANISH PRINCE IN NANKING. ENTERTAINED BY CHIANG KAI SHEK. [THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

NANKING, March 14. The Crown Prince of Denmark and party arrived here from Shanghai yesterday, and were welcomed by Chinese and foreign gunboats. The Prince was greeted by Dr. C. T. Wang, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Liu Chi Wen, the Mayor of Nanking and some other prominent officials.

Upon arrival, the royal party visited Dr. Sun Yat Sen's tomb, and then attended a dinner party given by Chiang Kai Shek. In the afternoon, the Prince gave a tennisey on board Chiang Kai Shek's yacht, the principal guest, and the evening, he was entertained by Dr. C. T. Wang. Many foreign diplomatic officials were invited.

AMERICAN WHEAT FOR CHINA. WIDE SUPPORT FOR RELIEF SCHEME. [UNITED PRESS.]

WASHINGTON, March 7. Wide interest has been aroused among farmers and politicians by the McMaster Bill proposing to spend G.\$25,000,000 for American wheat to be distributed to famine relief sufferers in China, and indications are that a considerable number of proponents of the measure will appear for the next hearing by the Senate Agricultural Committee to give testimony contradicting the unfavourable views voiced yesterday by John Van A. MacMurray, former Minister to China, and John Barton Payne, chairman of the American Red Cross.

Mr. MacMurray and Mr. Payne express themselves as admitting that relief is needed but of the belief that adequate distribution of grain is impossible.

Senator W. H. McMaster said to-day that he is optimistic over the prospects for passage of the bill.

SINGAPORE-JAVA AIR SERVICE.

SINGAPORE WELCOMES FIRST MACHINE.

SIR C. CLEMENTI'S INTENTION TO FLY TO JAVA.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

Singapore. — The official inauguration ceremony of the air service between Singapore and Batavia took place at the Seletar Air Base recently. The large hangar, with the immense Fokker monoplane in the foreground, provided a fitting setting for the occasion, at which H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi) was present, accompanied by Vice-Admiral Sir A. K. Waite, and Capt. F. G. Sillitoe, A.D.C.

On the arrival of the Dutch machine His Excellency was the first to welcome the passengers and pilot and congratulate them on their safe arrival. Mr. Nieuwenhuis, managing director of the Royal Dutch East Indies Airways, then addressed the gathering: "This inauguration flight is with a great joy, he said, not only because it is a consequence of the success of our company in Java, but chiefly because it is a recognition of the great importance of this modern quick means of transport, and because it is the result of co-operation."

"I emphatically mention co-operation because without it world air traffic would be unable to exist. For international air traffic a country is dependent on its neighbours."

A Commercial Proposition. "True to old tradition, the Netherlands consider international air traffic, in the first place, from a commercial point of view. The opening of the connection between the Netherlands East Indies and this great business city, situated as it is on a most important junction, is proof of this. We estimated the commercial value of this air line so highly that it has been organised not later than, but at the same time as, our airways in the Netherlands Indies."

"I have the honour to express to Your Excellency our most profound gratitude for your presence and for all the assistance that we have received from the British and Straits Governments through their different departments, and especially for the permission to land on this splendid ground and use this excellent aerodrome."

"I sincerely hope that the new air services may contribute in a modest way towards the growth and welfare of this great commercial city, Singapore." (Applause.)

H.E.'s Congratulations. His Excellency the Governor in reply said:

"It has been a very great pleasure for me to be here this afternoon and see the arrival of the Dutch air mail. I congratulate the pilot on a most successful flight and I congratulate the passengers on having been able to reach Singapore from Batavia within so very short a space of time. I attach the utmost importance to facilitating your service between Singapore and the Dutch East Indies."

"You have said, Mr. Nieuwenhuis, that this service depends upon co-operation and I can assure you that the Government of the Dutch East Indies will have the full co-operation of the Government of the Straits Settlements in this matter. I hope myself, before long, to avail myself of your service and to pay His Excellency, the Governor-General of the Dutch East Indies, a flying visit, with your help."

His Excellency then proposed the toast of the Royal Dutch Airways, and this was cordially honoured.

BERLIN'S UNEMPLOYMENT DAY.

POLICE TACT WITH RIOTERS.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

Berlin, March 7. — The press generally congratulate the Berlin authorities on the effective way in which they met all possible danger threatening from the ranks of the Communists on Unemployment Day which was celebrated last Thursday. Though the Communists, thanks to their perfect organization and their surprise moves, in various quarters succeeded in staging large open-air demonstrations, order was quickly restored wherever the police appeared. The casualties in the capital amount to one dead and 40 wounded, among whom there are 13 policemen. The 226 arrested include 17 Communist town-councillors.

As regards the other cities in Germany, the police in most places succeeded in preventing demonstrations being held. More serious incidents, however, occurred at a few towns, notably Goettingen, Zittau, where three policemen were seriously wounded, and Cologne where 300 people were arrested. At Wittenberg and Dresden the demonstrations lasted till late into the night despite efforts by the police to quell them. Finally at the town of Lubek the authorities at the last minute permitted the demonstration which passed off quietly.

INTIMATIONS.

G. R.

1930-1931.

SEALED TENDERS will be received at the R. N. HOSPITAL until 10 a.m. on the 31st. MARCH 1930, from persons desirous of supplying Beef, Mutton, Poultry, Pork, and other provisions, and necessaries for the year ending 31st. MARCH 1931.

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Wm. W. KEIR,

Surgeon Rear Admiral.

R. N. HOSPITAL,

Hong Kong, 13th Mar., 1930. [9153]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 17th DAY of MARCH, 1930, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the GOVERNOR, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Mong Kok Tsai, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Acres	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	1929	Kowloon Island	Between New Kowloon Island and Sham Shui Po.	1.5	3,000	7,000
2	1930	Kowloon Island	Between New Kowloon Island and Sham Shui Po.	1.5	3,000	7,000

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Acres	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	1930	New Kowloon Island	Between New Kowloon Island and Sham Shui Po.	1.5	3,000	7,000
2	1930	New Kowloon Island	Between New Kowloon Island and Sham Shui Po.	1.5	3,000	7,000

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Sports News

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

PROGRAMME FOR TO-DAY.

The following games in the Hong Kong League are down for decision to-day:—

Division I.

(Kick-off at 4.30 p.m.)

Royal Navy v. Kowloon F.C., Caroline Hill ground. Referee: Mr. T. G. Stokes.
Hong Kong Police v. South China, North Point Stadium. Referee: L. S. B. A. Atkinson.
Club de Recreo v. Somerset L.L., King's Park ground. Referee: Mr. Mackie.
Hong Kong F.C. v. St. Joseph's, St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Mr. P. Smith.

Division II.

(Kick-off at 3 p.m.)

South China "B" v. R.A. Res., Chinese Athletic ground. Referee: Cpl. Dimond.
St. Joseph's Res. v. Eastern F.C., St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Mr. Rich.
South China "A" v. University F.C., Caroline Hill ground. Referee: Mr. Courtney.
R.A.M.C. v. Kowloon F.C. Res., Sookunpoo ground. Referee: Mr. Maxwell.
Chinese Athletic "A" v. Chinese "B", North Point Stadium. Referee: Sgt. Bunting.

PLAYERS AND PROSPECTS.

With a re-arrangement of the senior league fixtures, Kowloon F.C. meet the Royal Navy on the Caroline Hill ground.

The Royal Navy will have a strong side out with H.M. Ships Kent and Suffolk in harbour. This will be a test for the Navy as Kowloon will put up a good fight although they are taking the field without McKelvie and Hedley. Bliss re-appears in the senior team, but will be all out to take full points and by so doing will go to the head of the league table. Their remaining league fixture is against the H.K. Police.

At the Stadium, a large crowd is expected. The Chinese Athletic are not out this week and South China are meeting the Police on the North Point enclosure, while the junior game between the two Athletic teams should be a good curtain raiser.

South China should annex both points although their chance of winning the league this season is very remote.

Owing to the H.K.F.C. ground being taken up for the rugby game, the soccer game between the H.K.F.C. and St. Joseph's will be played on St. Joseph's ground. St. Joseph's won the previous game by a goal to nil. With the Club showing a great improvement in their recent games they should win to-day.

At North Point Stadium, Chinese Athletic "A" and "B" teams meet in the junior division. The "A" team is in the best position for the junior championship and they are not expected to lose against the "B" to-day.

South China "A" should take full points from the University at Caroline Hill. They are not likely to repeat their success of the first game by such a large margin, seven goals to nil.

Kowloon should defeat the R.A.M.C. at Sookunpoo.

Eastern F.C., junior shield finalists, should account for St. Joseph's on the Happy Valley ground.

A division of points is a likely result in the R.A. Reserves-South China "B" game.

KOWLOON F.C. TEAMS FOR TO-DAY.

The following will represent the Kowloon 1st Eleven v. Somerset Light Infantry at Home ground to-day. Kick-off at 4.30 p.m. sharp.

Angus (Senior); Gillot, C. Pile; Bliss, Downman, Simpson; Pile; McKelvie, Chubb, Cotton, Eastman. Reserves: Miles and Herbert.

The following will represent the Kowloon 2nd Eleven v. R.A.M.C. at Sookunpoo ground to-day. Kick off at 2.30 p.m. sharp.

Angus (Junior); Guest, Nicholas; Seddon; Easterbrook; Dummett; Moore, Hawke, Moss, Dixon, Bickford.

Reserve: King.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

TEAMS FOR CLUB v. ARMY TO-DAY.

The final match of the triangular tournament will take place to-day at 3.30 p.m. when the Club will play the Navy.

Teams as follows:—Club—Back: M. D. Scott; three-quarters: G. E. R. Divett, C. J. D. Law, G. W. C. Churchill, L. Goldmann; half-backs: V. W. L. Stanion.

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HOME FOOTBALL.

ENGLISH AND SCOTTISH LEAGUES.

FIXTURES FOR TO-DAY.

The following is the Home Football programme for to-day:—

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Arsenal v. Birmingham.
Aston Villa v. Huddersfield.
Bolton v. Liverpool.
Burnley v. Blackburn.
Derby v. Manchester U.
Everton v. West Ham.
Leeds U. v. Sheffield U.
Manchester C. v. Grimsby.
Preston v. Leicester.
Reading v. Newcastle.
Sheff. Wed. v. Middlesbrough.

Division II.

Bradford C. v. Millwall.
Bristol C. v. Bradford.
Cardiff v. Tottenham.
Charlton v. Bury.
Hull v. Chelsea.
Notts Co. v. Barnsley.
Preston v. West Brom.
Reading v. Blackpool.
Stoke v. Notts Forest.
Swansea v. Southampton.
Wolves v. Oldham.

Division III. (Southern).

Bournemouth v. Merthyr.
Crystal P. v. Clapton O.
Exeter v. Brighton.
Fulham v. Watford.
Gillingham v. Brentford.
Luton v. Plymouth.
Northampton v. Bristol R.
Norwich v. Coventry.
Queen's P.R. v. Newport.
Southend v. Swindon.
Walsall v. Torquay.

Division III. (Northern).

Accrington v. Port Vale.
Chesterfield v. Carlisle.
Darlington v. Barrow.
Doncaster v. Wigan.
Halifax v. Crewe.
Hartlepool v. Wrexham.
Lincoln v. Nelson.
Rotherham v. York.
South Shields v. New Brighton.
Tranmere v. Southport.
Rochdale v. Stockport.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Celtic v. Motherwell.
Cowdenbeath v. Aberdeen.
Dundee v. Morton.
Falkirk v. St. Mirren.
Hamilton v. Rangers.
Hearts v. Ayr United.
Kilmarnock v. Airdrie.
Partick v. Dundee U.
Queen's Park v. Clyde.
St. Johnstone v. Hibernians.

ENGLISH LEAGUE MATCH RESULTS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 13.

Two matches in Division III, (Southern Section) of the English League were played to-day. Scores were as under:—Queen's P.R. 1 Plymouth 2. Northampton 3 Fulham 1.

CRICKET.

K.C.C. TEAMS FOR TO-DAY.

1st XI. v. H.K.C.C. at Kowloon (Friendly).—W. Brace (Captain), E. C. Fincher, E. F. Fincher, F. Goodwin, N. H. Ross, F. Zimmerman, A. T. Lee, W. C. Hung, D. Liang, J. C. Lyle, S. J. Robinson.

2nd XI. v. H.K.C.C. at Hong Kong League.—B. Petheram (Captain), G. Lee, H. Overy, N. A. E. Mackay, F. S. W. Smith, A. R. F. Raven, G. A. V. Hall, J. J. Hirst, O. B. Raven, A. J. Kew, D. W. Gregory.

Umpire: A. W. Bliss. Scorer: H. Gittins.

H.K.C.C. TEAMS.

The following will represent the H.K.C.C. 1st XI. v. K.C.C. (F.) Away:—T. E. Pearce, A. C. I. Bowker, A. C. Beck, K. H. Batger, E. R. Duckitt, J. R. Hinton, H. Owen Hughes, E. J. R. Mitchell, O. E. C. Marton, A. Reid.

2nd XI. v. K.C.C. (L.) Home:—W. W. Mackenzie, J. H. Ashworth, H. J. Armstrong, R. K. Hepburn, C. E. Gahagan, W. H. Walker, J. R. Way, C. Walsh, R. H. D. Wade, R. M. Wood.

J. L. Bonnar; forwards: W. E. Peers, A. D. Sutcliffe, D. L. Milne Day, F. R. Burch, E. R. West, E. B. Gammell, W. Younger, B. P. Massey.

Navy—Backs: Surg.-Lt. Bolton; three-quarters: Lt. Smallwood, Midobson, Lt. Wood, Sub-Lt. Tomkinson; half-backs: Lt. Evans, Lt. Com. Surtees; forwards: Lt. Com. Andrew, Pay-Lt. Bailey, F. O. Reamish, Lt. Couchman, Lt. Leifroy, Sub-Lt. Lennox-Conyngham, L. S. Paddon, L. B. Bickell.

Referee—Major Caddell.

H.K.C.C. TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

CHAMPION STAYED.

RUNNER-UP EXTENDED.

M. W. Lo and S. A. Ramjahn, last year's winner and runner-up respectively, proved to be good drawing cards yesterday in the Hong Kong Cricket Club Tournament. A large crowd turned up to watch them in action. They however, disappointed those present by showing anything but unconvincing performances, but if they failed to produce good form, their respective matches proved to be keenly fought out.

Ng Sze Cheung v. M. W. Lo.

Beginning unusually late, M. W. Lo found Ng Sze Cheung very difficult to play against yesterday. The latter took the match very seriously, and at once started to outplay the champion with such success that he won the first set comfortably, and went on to lead 5-3 in the second, but could not press his advantage any further, falling off from this stage onwards. Lo asserting himself brought the scores level, and then proceeded to win the third set. Light began to fail, and after five games had been played in the fourth set of which Lo claimed three, they had to stop. The match will be continued at a later date.

The standard of play could not be regarded as high, as both adapted steady tactics, with the result that play became monotonously slow. Neither took risks in the first two sets. Most of the rallies were very long. Ng Sze Cheung gained the ascendancy in the early part of the match by being enterprising, often surprising his opponent by dealing severely with loose shots. Lo played consistently well at this stage and placed his shots with accuracy, but they lacked pace, with the result that Ng Sze Cheung had little difficulty in retrieving them.

Ng Sze Cheung put Lo in a very desperate position at 5-3 in the second set. Twice he was within a point of winning the set to put him 2 sets to love up, but had the misfortune on each of those two occasions to see his shots, which had Lo beaten, falling just outside. After losing those two chances, he never recovered again. On the other hand, Lo retrieved his position excellently and in the third set gave a convincing all round performance to win at 6-1. The latter then led at 3-2 in the fourth, at which stage play was stopped on account of bad light.

Cheng Extends Ramjahn.

Cheng Chi Wing gave a very creditable performance against S. A. Ramjahn in the other match, and although he lost in straight sets he fully extended the Indian. He took a long time to get settled, but pulled up finely when 5 down, and just failed to draw level, losing the set at 6-4. He produced better form in the second set, and worried Ramjahn by a very effective backhand stroke which had a nasty kick behind it. He employed that stroke at will, and gained many points with it by placing them out of his opponent's reach. Ramjahn found Cheng hard to control, and despite his efforts found the Chinese leading at 1-3, which he managed to level, only to lose the next two games.

The next game was keenly fought. Cheng Chi Wing played determinedly to win, and on several occasions had advantage in his favour. Ramjahn retrieved his position with equal determination, and succeeded after many anxious moments. Eventually the set went to the latter at 8-6, and then in the third set outplayed his opponent.

Close struggles were also seen in the handicap events.

Open Singles.

M. W. Lo led Ng Sze Cheung, 2-6, 7-5, 6-1, 3-2.

S. A. Ramjahn beat Cheng Chi Wing, 6-4, 8-6, 6-2.

Club Championship.

S. E. Green beat J. A. Summers, 6-4, 6-2.

Handicap Singles.

N. L. Railton (owe 3/6) beat J. E. Henry (scr.), 6-8, 6-4, 6-2.

Handicap Doubles.

T. J. Price and E. B. Price (scr.) beat J. Barrow and D. M. Macdougall (owe 3/6), 7-5, 6-8, 6-4.

G. E. R. Divett and E. J. R. Mitchell (rec. 2/6) beat I. S. Harris and A. W. Hay (Eddie rec. 3/6), 3-6, 6-3, 6-0.

BOXING IN AMERICA.

[UNITED PRESS.]

Boston, March 7.

Tuffy Griffiths, a heavyweight, won a decision over Al Friedman in 10 rounds here to-night, but it was a miserable exhibition. Griffiths made a poor showing through much of the fight and seemed on the verge of being knocked out in the seventh round.

OVER THE STICKS.

MARCH MEETING OF THE FANLING HUNT.

SOME SELECTIONS FOR TO-MORROW.

[By "MORNING DEW"]

The race season is truly upon us, and no sooner do we get a respite from flat racing than the "steepchaser" set to work, to provide the public with some sport for the week-end. The races at Kwanti, arranged as they are, at fairly long intervals, are thoroughly enjoyed by a large number of regular supporters of the sport. It is a pity that more of the public do not take an interest in chasing, as this form of racing is just as thrilling, if not actually more so, than flat races.

For to-morrow's meeting, the usual train arrangements will be available, and the moderate charge of 82 covers both first class train fare and admission to the enclosure. There are five events on the card, and, judging from previous meetings, I think it can be safely predicted that the racing would be keen and fields fairly big.

The first race, the Shamrock Stakes, over a mile is timed for 3 p.m. For this there are nine entries. The event is for China ponies that have started twice this season at Kwanti and have not won. James Pigg or Sunloch ought to account for this event on past performance, but owing to the presence of Diana, one of this year's griffins, the result is very open. If Mr. Reidy rides Diana I should think the race will be a "cinch" for this mare. Siang River is a good outsider in this race.

The March Cup.

If Christmas Frolic is sent out in this race he should win, but if his owner should reserve him for the Fanling Grand National, he will account for the race there. As You Like It may do well if he accepts. I think Mr. Stanton will send a representative out here, and he is good for third place whether Montana or Target is his choice. Mowgli is another good animal, but I am afraid he will be reserved for the longer race.

The Spring Maidens.

Kum On or Loch Etive, both belonging to Mr. Troop may account for this event. If Huntington starts and takes to his work in a business like fashion, I think he will be a real danger to the favourites. Another animal which might accept here instead of in the first race is Sunloch, in which case, he should get a place.

Fanling Grand National.

This race is over 2 1/2 miles and if Christmas Frolic is sent out, he ought to command a large following and should win. Fanling Stag, Montana and November look like starting here. The last named animal is a good stayer, and over 2 1/2 miles might account for Christmas Frolic, but I do not think any of the others will have a look in.

St. Patrick's Steeplechase.

The last race of the day should attract a pretty big field. Buster, I fancy will be made a hot favourite, but if Mowgli is also kept back for this event, we should see a pretty close race, with little between them at the finish. A good dividend ought to be seen here.

THE SELECTIONS.

Race 1:—

Diana.

Sunloch.

James Pigg.

Race 2:—

Christmas Frolic (if started).

As You Like It.

Target.

Race 3:—

Loch Etive or Kum On.

Huntington.

Sunloch.

Race 4:—

Christmas Frolic (if started).

November.

Fanling Stag or Montana.

Race 5:—

Buster.

Mowgli.

Montana.

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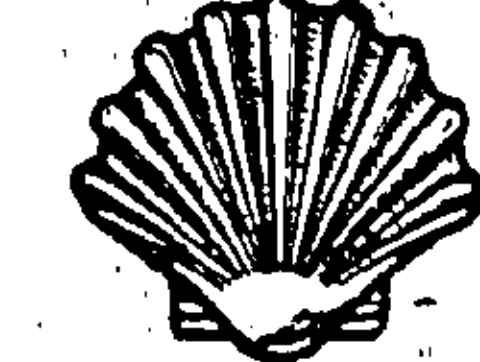
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9.40	P. Morrison and D. Ellis
9.44	D. J. Gilmore and R. K. Hepburn
9.48	E. N. Monie and D. S. Edward
9.52	J. D. Thomson and D. Christie
9.56	W. Paterson and I. B. Trevor
10.00	W. Kent and H. Hampton
10.04	M. G. Mills and A. C. I. Bowker
10.08	I. G. Campbell and J. Forbes
10.12	V. R. Gordon and A. Reed
10.16	W. A. Butterfield and J. P. Sherry
10.20	J. S. Drummond and C. H. Bradley
10.24	T. R. Price and D. M. Goodall
10.28	E. Taplin and H. U. Ireland
10.32	L. G. S. Dodwell and G. Marselle
10.36	A. Leach and S. T. Butlin
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10.56	J. R. Hinton and J. R. Collis
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BASEBALL MARKET EASIER.

BABE RUTH NOT SO FIRM.

[UNITED PRESS.]

ST. PETERSBURGH, Florida, March 15.

Babe Ruth, the famed "King of Swat," and the outstanding baseball hold-out of the 1930 season, today held a conference with Col. Jacob Ruppert, owner of the New York Yankees, in the course of which they made mutual concessions which apparently foreshadow an agreement.

Ruth offered to sign a two-year contract at \$85,000 a year; previously he had wanted a three-year contract at this figure. Ruppert offered a twofold proposition. He said he would sign a two-year contract at \$60,000 a year, or a one-year contract at \$35,000. His original idea was one year at \$20,000.

Following the talk, Ruth said to reporters: "I conceded a point and Colonel Ruppert has come up to meet me. I don't think we are very far apart."

The Babe's willingness to forego a three-year contract is regarded as the removal of the chief obstacle in the way of agreement. Ruppert has contended that a three-year contract would be altogether too satisfactory for the Babe and might make him lazy.

WHEN A LABEL IS A LABEL.

AMERICANS ARE NOT "UPPISH"; ENGLISH ARE NOT SLOW.

Dame Edith Lytton (the Hon. Mrs. Alfred Lytton) addressing the English-Speaking Union at New York recently, said that many people in England thought people in America "very rich, very grasping, and very uppish."

Similarly she had discovered people in America who thought the English "very poor, very tyrannical, and very slow."

It was time to get rid of such false labels.

She foresaw a great confederacy of English-speaking nations, bound together by common sentiments. Among these sentiments she enumerated a passionate love of individual things, an almost fantastic love of justice, and a tolerance for other people's opinions.

Dame Edith is the widow of the well-known Colonial Secretary and cricketer. A writer and social worker, she has represented Britain at the League of Nations Assembly.

Money and Markets

HONG KONG SHARES.

BENJAMIN & POTTS' WEEKLY REPORT.

Although buyers of most stocks predominate, the local market has not shown much animation during the past week. Owing to the paucity of selling orders the volume of business has been on a somewhat restricted scale, but notwithstanding this, prices in general instances have registered a further improvement. Easy conditions in the money market have unquestionably stimulated good class investments of all kinds, and the numerous dividends which have recently been paid or will be released shortly, will doubtless also exercise a favourable influence, and contribute towards this factor.

The market in the North has been rather erratic, but Ewo Cottons show signs of recovery in sympathy with the rise in yarn.

Banks.—A further improvement has occurred in Hong Kong and Shanghai Banks and sales were made up to \$1,385. The latest cable quotation from London is \$108 (Middle) ex div.

Marine and Fire Insurances.—A fair quantity of Unions changed hands at \$307/8400. Canton's have continued their rise and were booked at \$775. Hong Kong Fire can be placed at \$865. A dividend of \$47 per share has been announced, as against \$43 paid last year. Underwriters have received to \$140.

Shipping.—Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamships were negotiated at \$25, but have since advanced to \$28. Douglas Steamships are still on offer \$23. Waterboats are wanted at \$25 ex the dividend of \$14 just paid. Shell Transports have eased to \$2/6.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Deals were made in Kowloon Wharves at \$144 ex the dividend of \$9 just paid. Whampoa Docks have firmed up to \$32. China Providents have weakened a little, and are now offering at \$3.10. Shanghai Docks are wanted at \$12. Hongkong Wharves have declined to a buying quotation of \$15. 216. New Engineerings are enquired for at \$15. 750.

Land, Hotels and Buildings.—Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels were dealt in fair quantities at \$12.00. Hong Kong Lands were realised again at \$84. Humphreys Estates were done at \$14. Realties are on offer at \$8.30, after transactions at this rate. Shanghai Lands are unchanged with buyers at \$15. 225.

Public Utilities.—China Light (Old) has fluctuated between \$10.30 and \$10.40. The new shares are wanted at \$15. Hong Kong Electric were sold at \$60 ex dividend. Star Ferries changed hands at \$97. Hong Kong Trams fell away early in the week to \$20.10, but have since recovered to a buying quotation of \$20.00, with business done at intervening rates.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements (Combined) have eased off a bit and deals were made at \$14.85. Raub have continued their upward movement and were bought at \$18.1 at the close. Lane Crawfords were sold at \$2.70. Dairy Farms were taken off the market at \$32.40. Telephones at \$10.40 mark a further rise.

Cotton Mills.—Ewo opened with sales at \$15. 50, but gradually advanced to \$15. 62 with sales reported at \$15. 60 and \$15. 64. Shanghai Cottons (Old) are a shade easier at \$15. 80.

THE WORLD SILVER SITUATION.

HOPE OF DEMAND EQUALING PRODUCTION.

[UNITED PRESS.]

Washington, March 9.—Silver continues to hold attention here, with Senator Pittman of Nevada demanding an import duty on silver and the mountain areas pressing their agitation in favour of a bounty on gold.

While the Senate wrangles, interests in Colorado declare that Great Britain is responsible for the largely successful effort to fasten a single gold standard upon all the nations of the world and thus cripple the silver industry.

The Colorado mining leaders contend that silver must return as legal tender for the payment of international debts, for the reason that bimetalism is, in their view, a fundamentally sound principle.

Britain Blamed by U.S. Senator. Senator Pittman in a recent speech attributed the slump in the price of silver to Great Britain's dumping of India silver on the market. He said that this had affected every state in the union which exports goods to China.

The United States produces each year 59,000,000 ounces of silver, according to Senator Pittman, and imports 115,000,000 ounces, mostly from Latin America.

(Continued at foot of next column).

TRADE PROSPECTS IN HONG KONG.

ONLY NEED IS "STABILITY."

The trade of Hong Kong and the prospects for British manufacturers are the subject of an interesting article in "The Times Trade and Engineering Supplement." The writer, a correspondent on the spot, states that civil war in the neighbouring provinces and the fall in the price of silver have had the effect of restricting operations by importers, but in some directions there are great possibilities. All that is needed is stability. If civil war and banditry ceased, and the currency kept "fairly quiet," there would, in the writer's opinion, be a great trade boom. He mentions that piece-goods valued at over \$1,000,000 were imported from this country in 1929, and over \$300,000 worth have been ordered for this year, showing that the market is still useful to the United Kingdom.

Hustling for Business.

At the same time, the picture is not altogether a happy one. Competition in all lines is described as "fierce." Gone are the "old luxurious days" when the Chinese dealers came to the offices of British firms and accepted offers which, when one hears of them, seem legendary to-day. "I have to get out in the street and go to my Chinese clients in order to earn a few dollars," said the head of a big firm of importers to the writer of the article. Of what is known locally as the "Muck and Truck Trade," which includes anything and everything apart from the few leading specialties, a prominent British merchant declared that he was "just making a living at it."

He complained that the Japanese supplied the Colony with more felt hats than Europe and America combined, that France and the United States sent out a much greater value of fancy goods than did Great Britain, and that of ironware Germany sent out as much as Britain and the United States put together. Great Britain was placed fourth on the list of enamelled goods.

Poverty Makes Poor Business.

Turning to another report sent from Hong Kong to the Federation of British Industries the rather startling statement is found that cotton singlets and socks are now being made in China and exported for sale in England. This is confirmed to some extent by the statement of the *Times* correspondent that there are now several factories in Hong Kong which manufacture cotton singlets and socks, and millions of dollars worth of these goods are being sent to the Straits Settlements, Dutch East Indies, and even to India. To return to the F.B.I. correspondent's review, he states that British woolen articles are popular in China, but the country is impoverished, and their price makes them a luxury. Indeed, the evidence of his survey supports the view that the Chinese market for several kinds of British manufactures is declining, chiefly because of the poverty of the people.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, March 13.

Paris	124.25
New York	4.66
Brussels	34.885
Geneva	25.135
Amsterdam	12.193
Milan	92.78
Berlin	20.355
Stockholm	18.11
Copenhagen	16.165
Oslo	16.17
Vienna	34.523
Prague	164
Helsinki	193
Madrid	39.75
Lisbon	108.30
Athens	375
Bucharest	618
Rio	\$11/16
Buenos Aires	414
Bombay	1/5 27/32
Shanghai	1/10 1/10
Hong Kong	1/53
Yokohama	2/08
Silver (spot)	104
Silver (forward)	18 15/16

The United States uses 40,000,000 ounces and, therefore, exports 109,000,000 ounces, plus the American surplus, into the world market, creating a muddled situation.

He predicted, however, that within a reasonable time demand would equal production, but he says that Great Britain would prefer to give silver away instead of permitting it to remain in India.

DAILY SHARE QUOTATIONS.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.				SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION.			
Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
FRIDAY, MARCH 14.							
Banks							
...	H.K. Banks	...	...	\$1,385
...	Do. (London)	...	...	\$192
...	Chartered Bank	...	...	\$242
...	Mercantile Bk. "A"	...	...	\$15
...	Do. "C"	...	...	...
...	Bank of East Asia	...	...	...
Insurances							
...	Canton Ins.	...	...	\$760
...	Underwriters	...	...	\$1.10
...	North China	...	...	\$1.30
...	Union Ins.	...	...	...
...	Yangtze Ins.	...	...	...
...	China Fire	...	...	...
...	H.K. Fire	...	...	...
Shipping							
...	Douglases	...	...	...
...	Steamboats	...	...	...
...	Indon (prof.)	...	...	...
...	Do. (def.)	...	...	...
...	Shell Transports	...	...	...
...	Water-boats	...	...	...
Mining							
...	Benquits	...	...	...
...	Kailans	...	...	...
...	Langkate (comb.)	...	...	...
...	Do. (single)	...	...	...
...	Explorations	...	...	...
...	Shanghai Loans	...	...	...
...	Raub	...	...	...
...	Tronoh Mines	...	...	...
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.							
...	H.K. & K. Wharves	...	...	...
...	Providence	...	...	...
...	H.K. Docks	...	...	...
...	Shanghai Docks	...	...	...
...	New Engineerings	...	...	...
...	Hongkew	...	...	...
Cotton Mills							
...	Ewo	...	...	...
...	Shai Cotton (old)	...	...	...
...	Do. (new)	...	...	...
...	Zoong Sings	...	...	...
Lands, Hotels and Buildings							
...	H.K. & S. Hotels	...	...	...
...	H.K. Lands	...	...	...
...	Shanghai Lands	...	...	...
...	H.K. Realties	...	...	...
...	Humphreys	...	...	...
...	Chinese Estates	...	...	...
Public Utilities							
...	Tramways	...	...	...
...	Peak Trams (old)	...	...	...
...	Do. (new)	...	...	...
...	Star Ferries	...	...	...
...	C. Lights (old)	...	...	...
...	Do. (comb.)	...	...	...
...	H.K. Electric	...	...	...
...	Macao do	...	...	...
...	Sandakan Lights	...	...	...
...	Telephones	...	...	...
...	China Buses	...	...	...
...	Do. (pref.)	...	...	...
Industrials							
...	Coldbeck, (ord.)	...	...	...
...	Macgregor (prof.)	...	...	...
...	Canton Ices	...	...	...
...	Cements (comb.)	...	...	...
...	Do. (old)	...	...	...
...	Do. (new)	...	...	...
...	Ropes	...	...	...
...	China Sugars	...	...	...
...	Malabon Sugars	...	...	...
...	United Asbestos	...	...	...
Miscellaneous							
...	Dairy Farms	...	...	...
...	Der A. Wings	...	...	...
...	Amusements	...	...	...
...	Constructions	...	...	...
...	Lane Crawfords
...	Mackintosh
...	Nanyang Tobacco
...	Sincerus (old)
...	Do. (new)
...	Watsons
...	Wm. Powells
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Kaukung (except Saturdays)	...	6.00 p.m.	...	6.00 p.m.
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Cheungchow	11.20 p.m. & 4.40 p.m. & 4.40 p.m. Saturdays	1.00 p.m. & 4.40 p.m.	11.00 a.m. & 4.40 p.m.	1.00 p.m.
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Saikung	4.30 p.m.	4.30 p.m.	4.30 p.m.	4.30 p.m.
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JAVA via SOERABAYA ...	Tribesol ...	15th Mar.
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SEATTLE ...	Kashima Maru ...	16bb Mar.
MANILA ...	Pres. Jackson ...	17th Mar.
AMOI ...	Tilawa ...	18th Mar.
SHANGHAI ...	Aceas ...	18th Mar.
SEATTLE ...	Nagoya ...	19th Mar.
JAVA ...	Tyikarong ...	19th Mar.
JAPAN ...	La Plata Maru ...	20th Mar.
U.S.A. (San Francisco, 22nd February), HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI ...	Tomyo Maru ...	20th Mar.
AUSTRALIA & MANILA ...	Aki Maru ...	20th Mar.
JAPAN & SHANGHAI ...	Kamo Maru ...	21st Mar.
U.S.A. (San Francisco, 21st February), HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI ...	Pres. Wilson ...	22nd Mar.
U.S.A. (San Francisco, 18th February), HONOLULU, JAPAN AND SHANGHAI ...	Pres. McKinley ...	24th Mar.
JAPAN & SHANGHAI ...	Ohmonecasur ...	25th Feb
U.S.A. (Seattle, 8th March), CANADA, JAPAN & SHANGHAI ...	Pres. Jefferson ...	28th Mar.
OSAKA via HONOLULU, B.O., 8th March), U.S.A., HONOLULU, SAT. & SHANGHAI ...	Emp. of Basnia ...	30th Mar.
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MARCH 13, 1930.														MARCH 14, 1930.													
STATION	Hourly Rainfall Barometer Time	BAROMETER AT SEA LEVEL		TEMPERATURE	HUMIDITY	WIND					Hourly Rainfall Barometer Time	BAROMETER AT SEA LEVEL		TEMPERATURE	HUMIDITY	WIND											
		INCHES	MILLIM.			DIRECTION	Force (Beaufort)	Force (Knots)	Direction	Force (Beaufort)		Force (Knots)	Direction			Force (Beaufort)	Force (Knots)										
Wladivostok	12	29.87	701.2	83	...	N	3	0	...	6	29.55	750.6	32	...	N	4	0	...									
Nemuro	11	30.43	773.0	...	...	SE	1	...	...	...	30.10	764.5	...	...	ESE	4	...	...							
Hokodate	...	30.18	766.6	...	...	ESE	5	...	...	...	29.63	752.3	...	...	E	2	...	...							
Tokio	...	30.04	760.0	...	...	WNW	1	...	...	...	29.63	752.3	...	...	W	0	...	...							
Kochi	...	29.69	754.0	...	...	SW	1	...	...	...	29.82	757.5	...	...	W	1	...	...							
Nagasaki	...	29.69	754.0	...	...	WSW	6	...	...	...	29.90	759.5	...	...	SSW	1	...	...							
Kagoshima	...	29.82	757.5	...	...	W	2	...	...	...	29.94	760.5	...	...	...	...	...	...			
Oshima	...	29.96	761.0	...	...	W	2	...	...	...	30.04	763.0	...	...	...	...	...	...			
Naha	...	30.04	763.0	...	...	WNW	4	...	...	...	30.08	764.0	...	...	WNW	1	...	...							
Ishigakijima	...	30.10	764.5	...	...	N	3	...	...	...	30.08	764.0	...	...	...	...	...	...			
Bonin Island	...	30.10	764.5	...	...	SE	1	...	...	...	29.96	761.0	...	...	SSW	3	...	...							
Chefoo	15	29.60	751.8	46	92	W	1	6	...	6	29.56	750.8	46	77	SW	2	0	...									
Shanghai	14	29.99	761.7	54	83	WNW	4	...	...	...	29.92	759.9	46	73	SW	4	0	...						
Gutzlaff	...	30.04	763.0	92	66	WNW	6	...	...	...	29.97	761.2	48	87	SW	6	0	...						
Sharp Peak	...	30.06	763.5	50	72	E	1	...	...	...	30.04	763.0	50	79	NW	1	0	...						
Amoy	...	30.07	763.8	58	64	SE	4	...	...	...	30.08	764.0	52	88	SE	4	0	...						
Swatow	...	30.01	762	59	78	E	2	...	...	...	30.14	765.8	53	87	E	2	0	...						
Taihou	11	30.15	765.9	63	61	NW	2	...	...	...	30.08	764.1	45	97	...	0	0	...						
Taichu	...	30.12	765.0	63	...	NNW	4	...	...	...	30.07	763.8	48	...	NNE	2	0	...						
Tainan	...	30.06	76.5	70	...	N	4	...	...	...	30.02	762.6	66	...	NE	4	0	...						
Koshu	...	30.02	76.2	75	...	NNW	2	...	...	...	30.01	762.3	52	...	NNE	4	0	...						
Pescadores	...	30.12	76.5	63	...	NNE	4	...	...	...	30.04	76.29	59	...	NNE	4	0	...						
Hong Kong	14	30.09	763.0	67	36	E	2	...	...	...	30.03	76.27	57	74	N	3	0	...						
Gap Rock	...	30.05	763.2	...	...	NE	4	...	...	...	30.03	76.27	...	...	N	3	0	...		
Macao	...	30.04	762.9	64	45	NE	4	...	...	...	30.02	76.26	55	77	N	2	0	...						
Holbow	...	30.02	76.2	72	58	ENE	4	...	...	...	30.01	76.2	68	81	ENE	4	0	...						
Pratas Island	...	30.01	76.23	70	49	SSE	4	...	...	...	30.06	76.34	69	...	N	4	0	...						
Phulien	16	...	...	...	...	N	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	W	2	0	...
Tourane	...	29.84	75.78	79	...	ENE	...	...	...	...	29.87	75.7	75	...	ENE	4	0	...					
Cape St. James	...	29.92	75.99	81	66	ESE	4	...	...	...	29.93	76.02	75	79	NE	2	0	...						
Banco	14	29.92	75.99	81	66	N	4	...	...	...	29.93	76.02	75	79	NE	2	0	...						
Aparri	...	29.87	75.7	90	44	N	2	...	...	...	29.86	75.4	77	...	SSE	2	0	...						
Tuguegarao	...	29.85	75.8	82	60	NNW	2	...	...	...	29.89	75.9	78	84	N	2	0	...						
Vigan	...	29.84	75.78	90	57	SW	2	...	...	...	29.87	75.7	79	87	E	2	0	...						
Manila	...	29.85	75.8	84	74	ENE	4	...	...	...	29.88	75.9	78	84	N	2	0	...						
Legaspi	...	29.87	75.7	81	87	N	2	...	...	...	29.88	75.9	78	84	N	2	0	...						
Calbayog	...	29.86	75.8	84	77	NE	1	...	...	...	29.86	75.8	77	88	NW	4	0	...						
Tadoban	...	29.80	75.89	86	58	NE	6	...	...	...	29.85	75.8	77	86	NNE	4	0	...						
Hollo	...	29.84	75.78	84	68	NE	4	...	...	...	29.85	75.8	77	86	N	4	0	...						
Cebu	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Surigao	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.89	75.9	74	...	ENE	4	0	...
Saipan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Guan	12.22	29.85	758.1	...	...	NE	4	0	4.22	...	29.85	758.2	...	...	NE	4	0	...					
Yap	11.00	29.82	757.5	...	...	ENE	6	...	...	...	29.83	757.7	80	...	NE	4	0	...				
Pelew	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.83	757.7	80	...	NE	3	bc	...
Lanuan	14	29.81	757.2	86	68	NW	4	b	6	...	29.78	756.4	78	86	N	4	b	...									

March 14d. 10A. 52m.—Depressions are shown to the N. of Chefoo and over the Sea of Japan. A feeble anticyclone is central over the upper Yangtze Valley.
Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.60 inch. Total since January 1, 5.01 inches, against an average of 4.14 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON MARCH 15.

- Forecast.
- 1.—Formosa Channel
 - 2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lamocks
 - 3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock
 - 4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan
- N.E. winds, moderate; fair.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, March 14.

	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.1	30.12	30.0
Temperature	68	68	68
Humidity	28	62	45
Wind	E	Calm	SE
Direction	E	Calm	SE
Force	3	0	1
Weather	B	O	O
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 13.68

Lowest open-air Temperature, 14.57

B—Blue sky; C—Cloudy; D—Drizzle; E—Fog; L—Lightning; M—Mist; O—Overcast; P—Passing showers; Q—Squalls; R—Rain; T—Thunder.

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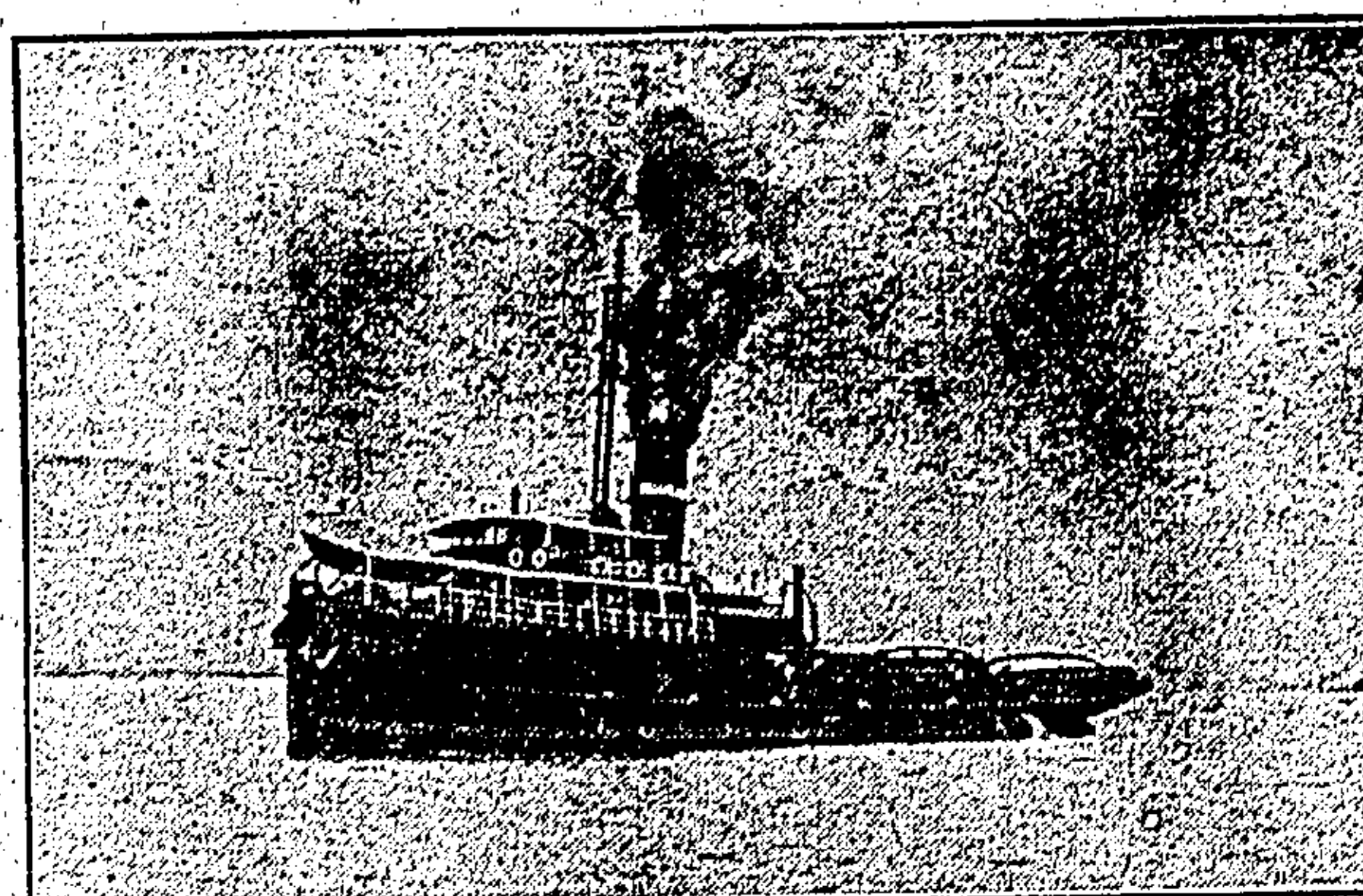
Days of Week	Date	High Water		Low Water	
		Time	Height	Time	Height
Sat.	15	10 15	4.8	1 10	1.0
Sun.	16	10 40	5.3	1 40	1.4
Mon.	17	11 10	5.7	2 10	1.8
Tues.	18	11 38	6.0	2 38	2.3
Wed.	19	12 05	6.2	3 05	2.8
Thurs.	20	12 40	6.4	3 40	3.2
Fri.	21	1 12	6.6	4 12	3.6

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	"CHAKSANG"	Wed., 26th Mar., at 7 a.m.
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	"NAMSANG"	Tues., 18th Apr., at 7 a.m.
	"KUTSANG"	Fri., 18th Apr., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOY, SHAL MOJI & KOBE	"KUMSANG"	Wed., 2nd Apr., at 7 a.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"YUENSANG"	Thurs., 27th Mar., at 3 p.m.
	"KUMSANG"	Wed., 16th Apr., at 3 p.m.
BANDARAN	"MAUSANG"	Mon., 24th Mar., at 3 p.m.
	"HINSANG"	Satur., 29th Mar., at Noon
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EMPERESS OF CANADA, June 4	June 8	June 10	June 12	June 21
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA, June 18	June 22	June 24	June 26	July 7
EMPERESS OF ASIA, July 2	July 6	July 8	July 10	July 17
EMPERESS OF CANADA, July 16	July 20	July 22	July 24	Aug. 3
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA, Aug. 30	Sept. 3	Sept. 5	Sept. 7	Sept. 14
EMPERESS OF ASIA, Sept. 13	Sept. 17	Sept. 19	Sept. 21	Sept. 28
EMPERESS OF CANADA, Oct. 7	Oct. 11	Oct. 13	Oct. 15	Oct. 22
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA, Oct. 21	Oct. 25	Oct. 27	Oct. 29	Nov. 5
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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

IMPORTS 14,000 TONS;
THROUGH CARGO
20,800 TONS.

The returns, shown at the Harbour Office, of vessels carrying cargo to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:

British Cargo for Through Ports.

Malwa, London 600, 1,900

Kalyan, Shanghai 2,900

British Prince, Shanghai 250, 700

Borneo, Saigon 2,900

Luchow, Shanghai 698, 1,951

Norwegian Adna, Balikpapan 6,780, 3,745

Portuguese Lemos, Fort Bayard 190, 190

Japanese Amur Maru, Singapore 879, 7,378

Maybashi Maru, Kobe 3,300

Shinsei Maru, Moji 968, 277

Shinsei Maru II, Dairen 383, 4,263

Sourabaya Maru, Tawao 380, 4,263

Shiyo Maru, Macao 586, 3,394

Total 14,012, 30,867

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were as follows:

British 6, 9

Japanese 8, 1

Norwegian 2, 1

Chinese 0, 1

Dutch 0, 1

Portuguese 1, 0

Total 17, 15

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS.

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday:

Borneo (British) Saigon 281

Cheung On (Chinese) Shanghai 193

Total 474

SHIPS IN HARBOUR.

The following vessels were in Harbour yesterday:

Wharves—Kowloon: Amur Maru, Malwa, Kalyan, A.P.C.—Taikok-

san: Utrecht; O.S.K.: Canton Maru; Douglas Lapraik: Haining;

Saikong: Wing Wo.

Docks—Kowloon: Tanga, Govt. Taft, Susanah, Agustino, San Bernadino, Kiligante; Taikok: Sun Chih, Ankang, Kaka Maru, Linan, Tung Poong.

Buoys—At Tanga, A2 Taiping, A3 Athos II, A5 Tjikini, B9 So-

chow, A10 Sourabaya Maru, B13 Kingyuan, B21 Kalkan, B22 Hang Sang, C25 Shinsei Maru, C27 Lu-

chow, B35 Canton, C20 Borneo, C40 New Mathilde, C41 Marly, C42 Hiram, C43 Chanking, C49 Shidoya Maru, B50 Hesi Maru.

DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

OVERLOADING A RIVER BOAT.

OWNER SUCCESSFULLY DEFENDED.

Mr. Fung-Chu owner of the a.s. Cheung On was summoned before the Marine Magistrate, Commander G. F. Hole, at the Harbour Office yesterday for unlawfully allowing the vessel to be overloaded at 10.40 p.m. on March 10.

Mr. T. G. Bennett appeared on behalf of the owner.

Boarding Officer T. H. Low in evidence said that he boarded the a.s. Cheung On at the time in question, and found that her load line was submerged four inches in salt water. He summoned Mr. Cairns of the Harbour Department and together they examined the load line again. The master and mate were not aboard at the time, but the owner was there. Witness said that the clearance permit was withheld until 1.30 a.m. when sufficient cargo was discharged to bring the disc above the water line.

Cross-examined witness said that he found the owner about 15 minutes after going on board, and that the latter had remarked that he had just arrived on his way back from a party at West Point.

Mr. Bennett pointed out to the Magistrate that if necessary he would prove that his client had arrived on board after the Boarding Officer and that the offence had been committed before he had arrived. Further, no evidence had been given by the prosecution to show that the owner had not done everything possible to prevent the ship being overboarded. Mr. Bennett also quoted several authorities on the responsibilities of the owner and master, and submitted that his client could not be made responsible for the offence.

The summons was dismissed.

PASSENGERS.

Arrivals.

The following passengers are due to-morrow from Singapore by the a.s. Kashima Maru:—Mrs. I. Churchill Weir, Miss D. Churchill Weir, Mr. J. F. C. Kingsley, Mr. and Mrs. Marsden, Mr. L. Pertwee, Mr. S. A. Sweet, Mrs. D. White, Miss J. White, Master A. White, Major N. H. P. Whitley, Mr. W. P. Alderson, Mr. E. Christensen, Mrs. E. Eoyang, Master S. Eoyang, Mrs. E. D. Goss, Mr. and Mrs. Holbrook, Mr. E. H. How, Mr. A. A. McMartin, Mr. D. McMartin, Mr. and Mrs. A. McNicol, Mr. W. J. Timmins, Mrs. M. Tyler, Mr. J. Wright, Mr. H. Axenfeld, Dr. T. Axenfeld, Mr. and Mrs. Berkman, Mr. T. Ishizuka, Mr. and Mrs. K. Sudo, Miss F. Sudo, Master T. Sudo, Miss A. Sudo, Mrs. M. H. E. Adair, Mr. and Mrs. Coubeaux, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. de Havilland, Mr. M. Hayashida, Mr. T. Hemmi, Miss T. Homma, Mr. T. Iwasaki, Miss T. Matsumoto, Miss T. Yutani, Mr. Miura, Mrs. Y. Miyazaki, Miss Miyazaki, Mr. and Mrs. Y. Nagata, Miss M. Nagata, Master Y. Nagata, Miss H. Nakamura, Mr. T. Nakashima, Mr. M. Nambu, Mr. Y. Ogawa, Mr. K. Okazaki, Mr. K. Okazaki, Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Soraneki, Mr. Sumiki, Mr. S. Takayoshi, Mr. T. Terada, Mr. Y. Tochiani, Mr. Woodruff, Mr. S. Yedo, Mr. N. Yoshida, Mrs. K. Yutani, and Miss W. Yutani.

Clearances.

March 14.

Adna, for Tarakan.

Athos II, for Shanghai.

Chinking, for Saigon.

Hai Ning, for Swatow.

Hosi Maru, for Canton.

Kentucky, for San Francisco.

Luchow, for Canton.

Marly, for Tientsin.

Muroran Maru, for Singapore.

New Mathilde, for Hoihow.

Ralyan, for Singapore.

Shinsei Maru, for Batou Pahat.

Shiyo Maru, for Keelung.

Sourabaya Maru, for Takao.

Trier, for Takao.

Yat Shing, for Canton.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG.

FOR MARCH, 1930.

To-day Sunrise 6.33 a.m. Sunset 6.33 p.m.

To-morrow Sunrise 6.32 a.m. Sunset 6.33 p.m.

Monday Sunrise 6.32 a.m. Sunset 6.33 p.m.

ARRIVALS.

March 13.

Maybashi Maru, Japanese str., 4,330 tons, Capt. S. Amano, from Iloilo, buoy No. A8.—N.Y.K.

Shinsei Maru No. 17, Japanese str., 1,478 tons, Capt. J. Mayada, from Dairen, buoy No. C35.—Loong Tai Hong.

Shiyo Maru, Japanese str., 478 tons, Capt. U. Tatsumoto, from Kiriun and Macho, buoy No. C49.—N.Y.K.

March 14.

Amur Maru, Japanese str., 7,770 tons, Capt. T. Kawasaki, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.

Athos II, French str., 2,947 tons, Capt. A. Vicq, from Saigon, buoy No. A3.—M.M.

Borneo, British str., 1,297 tons, Capt. J. H. van den Berg, from Saigon, buoy No. C39.—Kwong Hang Hong.

Chinking, British str., 1,229 tons, Capt. C. Carrington, from Canton, buoy No. C13.—B. & S.

Kalyan, British str., 9,000 tons, Capt. C. H. Cochrane, from Yokohama, Kowloon Wharf.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Kathe, German str., 808 tons, Capt. H. Kraus, from Canton, buoy No. C45.—Kwong Mow Tai.

Kentucky, American str., 3,343 tons, Capt. O. Swenham, from Manila, buoy No. A4.—States S.S. Co.

Luchow, British str., 1,221 tons, Capt. J. Layton, from Weihaiwei, buoy No. C37.—B. & S.

Muroran Maru, Japanese str., 5,373 tons, Capt. C. Sakurai, from Moji, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

Sanerland, German str., 4,194 tons, Capt. Metzenthin, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—Jensen & Co.

Shinsei Maru, Japanese str., 3,403 tons, Capt. R. A. Kiyama, from Moji, Yamaguchi.—Y.K.K.

Soochow, British str., 1,584 tons, Capt. C. Mather, from Canton, buoy No. B9.—B. & S.

Sourabaya Maru, Japanese str., 2,728 tons, Capt. S. Matsuda, from Tawao, buoy No. A10.—O.S.K.

Tetsuzan Maru, Japanese str., 1,941 tons, Capt. Sakurai, from Swatow, buoy No. C53.—Wada Jimusho.

Trier, German str., 5,401 tons, Capt. J. Jochen, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf.—Melchers & Co.

Yat Shing, British str., 1,424 tons, Capt. C. Alexandre, from Swatow, West Point Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CLEARANCES.

March 14.

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Marly, for Tientsin.

Muroran Maru, for Singapore.

New Mathilde, for Hoihow.

Ralyan, for Singapore.

Shinsei Maru, for Batou Pahat.

Shiyo Maru, for Keelung.

Sourabaya Maru, for Takao.

Trier, for Takao.

Yat Shing, for Canton.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG.

FOR MARCH, 1930.

To-day Sunrise 6.33 a.m. Sunset 6.33 p.m.

To-morrow Sunrise 6.32 a.m. Sunset 6.33 p.m.

Monday Sunrise 6.32 a.m. Sunset 6.33 p.m.

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"KALYAN" 9,144 15th Mar., Noon Mars., L'don, Hull, R'g., B'dm. & A'warp.

"ALIPORE" 5,273 19th Mar. Straits, Colombo & Bombay.

"RAWALPINDI" 10,618 23rd Mar. Bombay, Marseilles and London.

"MALWA" 10,840 25th Apr. Bombay, Marseilles and London.

"RAJPUTANA" 10,568 28th Apr. Bombay, Marseilles and London.

"BELTANA" 9,005 3rd May Mars., L'don, Hull, R'g., B'dm. & A'warp.

"KASHGAR" 9,483 10th May L'don, Hull, R'g., B'dm. & A'warp.

"MANTUA" 10,946 24th May Bombay, Mars. & London.

"KHYBER" 9,114 31st May (Mars.) L'don, Hull, R'g., B'dm. & A'warp.

"KHIVA" 9,135 7th June Marseilles, London & Hull.

"BANTURA" 18,601 21st June Bombay, Marseilles & London.

"LAHORE" 5,304 28th June (Mars.) L'don, Hull, R'g., B'dm. & A'warp.

"KARMAHA" 9,125 5th July Marseilles and London.

